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This is no old stock left over but all
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Something very nice, from Cam-
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Our old fashioned home made Sau-
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day afternoon, they have the correct
flavor.
If you want PURE LARD we have
it. We make it and guarantee every
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Creamery Butter 28c.
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PROVIDENCE RIVER OYSTERS
You will want some this week, 40c qt.
Sauer Kraut, Bermuda onions, ripe to-
matos, cauliflower, lettuce, celery, rad-
ishes, cucumbers, parsley, etc.

**BATEMAN'S
City Market**

EXCHANGE OF VIEWS EFFECTED

Germany and United States
Reach Perfect Under-
standing

WAR SCARE DISPOSED OF

Message of Pres. Roosevelt
the Basis of Position
This Country Has
Taken in Matter

Washington, Jan. 1.—It may be
stated on the highest authority that
there has been a diplomatic exchange
of views between the United States and
Germany in regard to Germany's pres-
ent attitude toward Venezuela, and that
an understanding has been reached.
This seems to dispose of the war scare.

Secretary Hay's view as to the pro-
posed German program in Venezuela
was communicated to the German gov-
ernment in the shape of a written mem-
orandum. This supplemented verbal
exchanges which had taken place in
Washington between Ambassador Von
Jolleben and President Roosevelt; and
between the ambassador and Secretary
Hay at greater length. The state de-
partment declines to make public the
memorandum or its substance, but it
is pointed out again that the basis of
the United States' representations is to
be looked for in the utterances of Pres-
ident Roosevelt in his annual message
to congress touching the Monroe doc-
trine in its application to South Ameri-
can countries which do not pay their
debts.

Nothing has been heard from Caracas
to sustain the report that United States
Minister Bowen, through urgent rep-
resentations, has induced a postpone-
ment of the execution of the German
program. It is certain that no instruc-
tions to that effect have been given to
Mr. Bowen, though it is admitted that
it would be the duty of any United
States minister to exercise all of his
powers, within the lines of the gen-
eral policy of this country, to prevent
possible bloodshed. Confirmatory evi-
dence is had from unofficial sources of
the purpose of the German govern-
ment at least to delay action against
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MIND A BLANK AFTER FIRST SHOT

Louis Bitzer Arraigned
Today and Pleads
Not Guilty

Greenfield, Mass., Jan. 1.—Louis Bit-
zer, the Turners Falls jeweler, was ar-
raigned this morning, charged with the
murder of his clerk, Ida Columbe,
and his son, Louis.

He pleaded not guilty and was held
for hearing January 11.
He said afterwards that he had a vi-
vid recollection of shooting Miss Col-
umbe, but his mind was a blank about
shooting his family. This statement
coincides with the first supposition
that the shooting of Miss Columbe was
accidental and that Mr. Bitzer was
craied by the event.
[Additional details of the shooting
will be found on the third page.]

KILLED FOUR TONS OF SPARROWS

Pana, Ill., Jan. 1.—The annual spar-
row hunt of Pleasant towns, which
lasted a week, ended today. The result
was four tons of sparrows, or over 24-
000, killed. Forty men in two parties
engaged in the pursuit, the stake being
a banquet given by the party securing
the most. The victorious party
brought in 13,000 birds, the losers 11,000

Thirty Two Cows Burned

Wilton, N. H., Jan. 1.—Thirty-two
cows and one horse were burned to
death, with 50 tons of hay and wagons
and implements, when the large barn
of W. W. Woodward was destroyed by
fire last night from unknown causes.
The loss is \$4,000.

Cocord, N. H., Jan. 1.—As the result
of an accidental discharge of rifle yes-
terday afternoon James Craig, aged 12
son of Chief of Police William Craig,
was shot in the back by Frank Miner,
aged 16.

LOW IN OFFICE; TAMMANY OUT NEW YORK'S BIG CHANGE

Mayor Low Has Disposed of
Many Holdings to Avoid
Embarrassment

New York, January 1.—Seth Low be-
came mayor of Greater New York to-
day. At the same time there was an al-
most complete turning over of the city
and county offices by the democratic
incumbents to the candidates elected on
the fusion ticket.

Of the appointive offices the impor-
tant ones included the retirement of
Police Commissioner Michael C. Mur-
phy, succeeded by John N. Partridge.
Of the district leaders in Tammany
hall, 18 lost their places in the public
service today.

In preparation for the beginning of
his duties as mayor, Mr. Low has dur-
ing the past two weeks sold more than
\$500,000 worth of stocks and securities
in concerns which are likely to have
dealing with the municipal govern-
ment during the time which he is at
the head. Those include securities of
banks, trust companies and other cor-
porations which ordinarily do business
only in a remote way with the city of
New York.

Included among them, however, were
stocks and bonds of banks and trust
companies which at times act as depos-
itories for city funds. While there is
essentially nothing wrong in a public
officer holding stock in such concerns
Mr. Low regards it as being improper
for him, as mayor, to be interested in
the remotest degree with corporations
with which public funds are deposited.
As mayor he and the controller and
city chamberlain for a board which
designates the banks in which the city
money is kept on deposit and he fees
that had he remained as a stockholder
in any of these institutions he would
have been constrained to refuse to de-
posit city moneys in them. This would
have worked an injustice. Mr. Low
feels, to some of the strongest finan-
cial concerns in the city.

Many of the bonds which Mr. Low
has sold was inherited from his father,
and some of them had been in the fam-
ily for years. It was only with reluc-
tance that the mayor elect permitted
the news of this sale of securities to
become public. Originally it emanated
from Wall street brokers, who were
surprised by his parting with stocks
and bonds of such high character for
sentimental reasons.

Colonel Willis L. Ogden, one of Mr.
Low's closest advisers, when informed
of the mayor elect's action, said: "I'm
not surprised. It shows that we have
at last got a mayor who is not 'work-
ing for his pocket all the time.' Public
office with him will mean a private loss
not a public gain."

MINER'S THEATER DESTROYED BY FIRE

Eighth Avenue Burlesque
House in New York
Burned Today

New York, Jan. 1.—Miner's Eighth
avenue theater was totally destroyed
by fire early this morning. The flames
were discovered at 1 o'clock and half
an hour later the theater was in ruins.

The fire burned itself completely out
in that short time, and the work was
so hot for the firemen and the wind so
high that they had to abandon all at-
tempts to save the theater and devote
themselves to working on adjoining prop-
erty.

A water tower's stream was played
on the building from Eighth avenue,
but seemed to have absolutely no ef-
fect. The building went like a thing of
tin.

The flames originated in the rear of
the building by a cigarette dropped in
a dressing room after the performance
by the "Merry maidens" burlesque
show.

The loss is \$150,000, fully insured. One
fireman was badly hurt. The building
was four stories high.

FINAL REPORT OF PAN-AMERICAN ATTENDANCE

Buffalo, Jan. 1.—Superintendent Cash
of the department of collections and
admissions for the Pan-American ex-
position, today presented his final re-
port. The total attendance was 8,320,048
Of this number 3,212,118 were paid ad-
missions.

B. and M. Station Burned

Dover, N. H., Jan. 1.—The Boston &
Maine railroad station was destroyed
by fire today, caused by the heating
apparatus. The loss is \$5000.

STATE LAW MAKERS

Legislature Organizes Today
For the Session of 1902

ELECT SOULE AND MYERS

Little Business Beyond Or-
ganization, and Adjourn-
ment Was Taken Till
Tomorrow For
Inauguration

Boston, Jan. 1.—The state legislature
of 1902 assembled in the two chambers
today at 11 o'clock, and organized by
the election of officers according to
schedule. This was the only business of
the day.

The senate chose the following: Hon.
Rufus A. Soule of New Bedford, pres-
ident; Henry D. Coolidge of Concord,
clerk; Maj. Charles G. Davis, sergeant-
at-arms, Rev. Edmund Dowse of Sher-
born, chaplain.

The house elected J. J. Myers speak-
er, J. W. Kimball clerk, C. G. Davis,
sergeant-at-arms, Rev. D. W. Waldron
chaplain.

The committees will not be announ-
ced until Monday, although President
Soule has nearly completed his list.
The legislature adjourned after or-
ganizing to meet tomorrow for the
third inauguration of Governor W.
Murray Crane.

A Peculiar Situation

Boston, Jan. 1.—The recent revision
of the statutes of the commonwealth by
a special committee of the legislature
was sanctioned by the latter body,
which ordered that the laws should go
into effect on Jan. 1, 1902, but they are
at present in the hands of the state
printers with the prospect that copies
cannot be had for general distribution
among the law officers of the state for
at least a week. Meantime, about 25
copies of the original report of the re-
vision committee have been scrapped to-
gether, and these will be furnished at
once, as far as they will go, to the jus-
tices of the higher courts of the com-
monwealth for their official guidance.

PRESIDENT'S FIRST NEW YEARS RECEPTION

Many Guests at White
House, But No Hand-
shaking

Washington, Jan. 1.—President
Roosevelt's New Year's reception was
held at the White House today.

Surrounded by the presidential and
cabinet circles he greeted the officials
of a feverish branch of public life, as well
as a great concourse of citizens.

The day was ideal, the sun shone in
a cloudless sky, with cool, bracing air.
The east room, in which the reception
was held, was decorated with a profu-
sion of palms and potted plants and
garlands of smilax.

The presidential party put in prac-
tice the new custom inaugurated by
President Roosevelt of merely bowing
and omitting the handshaking cere-
mony.

Many guests from New York and
other cities were present.

Van Wyck Entertained

New York, Jan. 1.—Robert A. Van
Wyck, the outgoing mayor, made two
appointments today before surrender-
ing his office to Seth Low. They were
Patrick Keady, justice of the court of
special sessions in Brooklyn to suc-
ceed himself for the full term of ten
years, and James W. Hyde, trustee of
the college of the city of New York.

Six Teams Tied

Boston, Jan. 1.—The scores of the six
day race at the end of the first 60
hours of racing today was: Butler and
McLean, McFarland and May, Freeman
and Munroe, Gougoltz and Simar, King
and Samuelson, Rutz and Leander 425
miles and 8 laps, Krebe and Kegan 425
and 4 laps, Chevallier and Fischer 425
6 laps, Jaak and Muller 425-2, McCon-
nell and Carni 424-6.

Cuba's Election

Havana, Jan. 1.—Returns from yes-
terday's election are coming in very
slowly. Those received indicate a tight
vote.
There is no doubt of General Palma's
election, the partisans of General Maso
got voting for the most part.

LONDON IS SOBER ON NEW YEARS

Has Discovered That "Be-
ing British" Is Not
Enough

London, Jan. 1.—It is not a particu-
larly happy New Year for England,
judging by the editorial expressions in
the London papers this morning. Natu-
rally most of the papers concern
themselves with the war in South Afri-
ca and the nation's necessity for brac-
ing itself for renewed efforts.

Next to this feature in prominence
comes the matter of the national de-
velopment of the United States and the
competition of American trade, which
are held to have been very distinguish-
ing features of a very eventful year.

In general hopefulness is expressed.
"The fit of disquiet has passed," says
the Daily Telegraph, "and like all
great races, the English people have
found their inspiration in their diffi-
culties. Foreign hostilities in politics
and American competition in trade
have intensely stimulated unmis-
takable impulses, and the stirrings of a
great renaissance of national energy."
The Daily Mail, in a similar strain,
says the past year has been one of dis-
illusionment and disappointment. "We
have discovered that the mere fact of
being British is not a magic talisman
insuring success and it is no small
sign of progress to have got rid of the
self satisfaction in which for so long
we have summed ourselves."

STRIKING WEAVERS REFUSE COMPROMISE

Will Stay Out Till Full
Demands are Granted

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 1.—At a mass
meeting of the striking weavers of the
Atlantic mills this noon they voted
unanimously to reject the compromise
offer of an advance of five cents a cut,
made this morning by Agent Somers-
by. They also voted unanimously to
continue the strike until their demand
for an advance of ten cents a cut, is
granted.
[Early news of the strike will be
found on the third page.]

FAMOUS CORRESPONDENT RETIRE TO PRIVATE LIFE

London, Jan. 1.—The Candid Friend
announces that M. De Blowitz has re-
signed his position as Paris correspon-
dent of the London Times, and retires
to private life. He is succeeded by W.
Morton Fullerton, an American.
M. De Blowitz has been Paris cor-
respondent for many years, and is the
most famous diplomatic correspondent
on the continent. Mr. Fullerton has
been under him for a number of years.

PROFESSOR HERRON CRIES FOR REVOLUTION

Brussels, Jan. 1.—Prof. Geo. D. Her-
ron, formerly of Chicago, in addressing
a large meeting here, at the Maison du
Peuple, declared that seven-eighths of
the total of fortunes in the United
States were monopolized by two thou-
sand individuals. "The masters of the
situation," he said, "is a revolution."
The Chicago socialists, said Profes-
sor Herron, intend to erect a Maison du
Peuple similar to that in Brussels.
three hundred and eighty-five foxes
and one coon.

Three Alarm Boston Fire

Boston, Jan. 1.—The clothing firm of
Spitz brothers was the principal oper-
by fire this morning in a Summer
street block. It started in the base-
ment and burned through two floors
of the five story granite building. The
loss is estimated at \$100,000. Three
alarms were sent in.

Case of Smallpox in Jan

Salem, Mass., Jan. 1.—Timothy
Creeden, who was committed to the Sa-
lem jail from Lynn last Friday, for
drunkenness, was removed to the pest-
house yesterday, suffering from small-
pox. Creeden is a resident of Salem,
but he had recently returned to Boston
from a fishing trip and on his way to
this city was arrested in Lynn for
drunkenness.

To Hunt For Landmen

Boston, Jan. 1.—A recruiting party
will start from the Charlestown navy
yard tomorrow for Maine, in search for
good landmen for United States war-
ships. It will visit nearly every town
and city in southern Maine. This is the
first party of the kind to be sent out
from the Charlestown yard.

Overcoat Satisfaction.

You remember the long overcoats we advertised
a couple o' months ago? The long cut swell
young men's coats, made plain or with yoke,
cuffs and vertical pockets. Well, they are win-
ners. We have sold hundreds to the best dressed
men in the city, and every man is happy.

\$8.50, \$12, and \$15.

Many of these very swellest coats that we
sold then at \$10, \$15 and \$18, are here today at
the above popular prices.

We propose to clear our counters of 100 coats
before the first of the year and you will have to
be quick.

C. H. Cutting & Co.
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New Year's Greetings

To our many patrons who have made our holiday trade
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To Commence 1902

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day.

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venient, no waste.

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Values that will be appreciated by all who see them.
Values that will go and go quickly.
Call Thursday and get your share.

Outing Flannels 5c, 7½c, 10c, 12½c yard.

See our line of new Cheviots, the latest creations in
wash goods for waists, 15c yard.

The balance of our Wool Waists, worth \$1.50, 2.00 and
2.25, to go at 98c.

100 yards all wool Waist Flannel, all new colors, only
25c yard.

Good, warm Outing Flannel Night Robes at 50c, 75c,
1.00, 1.25.

Bargains in ladies' and children's heavy underwear.
Values not to be duplicated elsewhere.

Underwear for children, from 1 year to 3 years old,
worth from 25c to 40c, to close Thursday 10c each.

One lot ladies' ribbed wool underwear, worth 1.00, to
close 69c.

1 case ladies' heavy ribbed Vests and pants 25c.

Bargains in Blankets and Comfortbles.

The Wholesome Powder.

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Lv. Adams	6.47	9.39
Lv. Pittsfield	7.20	10.28

	4.15	4.15	6.45
Ar. N. York	11.25	4.45	8.25
Trains leave New York	9.08	a. m.	
arrive North Adams	2.10	p. m.	
leave New York	3.35	p. m.	
arrive North Adams	8.15	p. m.	
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arrive North Adams	4.18	p. m.	

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The Adams National Bank

of North Adams.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Adams National Bank will be held at their banking house in North Adams, on Tuesday, the 14th day of January, next, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the following purposes, to wit:

1st. To choose Directors for the ensuing year.

2nd. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

W. H. FRITCHARD, Cashier.

North Adams, Mass., Dec. 14, 1902

STARTS THE NEW YEAR WITH TWO MONTHS IN JAIL

Delisle Sentenced for Robbing the Poor Box. A Family Scrap on New Year's Eve

The happy New Year saw only two offenders in the dock at the district court room. One was Henry Delisle, the young Frenchman who has been getting the benefit of the poor box at St. Francis church for the past few days, and the other was Joseph Jones, who was brought in this morning for assaulting his wife.

Two charges were brought against Delisle, one for larceny and one for attempted larceny. He pleaded guilty to the first, and not guilty to the second, but after hearing the testimony of Michael Craven, assistant janitor of the church, Officer Rosasco and Chief Dinneen, the judge sentenced him to 30 days on each complaint.

The story brought out by the witnesses corresponded to the one published in the Transcript yesterday when Delisle was arrested, and the boy listened to it without any show of surprise or penitence. He didn't care to question any of the witnesses, didn't have anything to say for himself, and answered the court's questions very simply and directly, attempting to conceal nothing. The broken box itself was brought in and shown to the judge as evidence.

Joseph Jones is a suburban resident, living somewhere on the other side of the Fire Roads. Yesterday morning his wife, Julia, made her appearance in Clerk Cady's office with her face bleeding and her jaw securely bound up with cloths. She and her husband had had a set-to that morning, and she was seeking retaliation. She got her warrant and this morning Jones pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery. As he wanted to get a lawyer before his trial proceeded, his case was continued until tomorrow morning. His bail being set at \$200. The fight was not all on his side apparently, for he bore a mark on his face where his Julia bit him during the fracas. The couple are well known by the police and court officials having had several previous disagreements. Joseph has been in on a number of petty charges.

The Service at St. John's

In spite of the wind and weather last night the watch service at St. John's was well attended. The church was more than half filled. The service itself was simple but impressive, and music by the full vested choir rendered it doubly so. Rev. J. C. Tabbetts gave an informal talk on New Year's resolutions, and after the regular service Holy Communion was celebrated.

BLACKINTON

During the present winter there has been quite an epidemic of pneumonia in this part of the city with several deaths as the result. At present there are three cases of persons not expected to survive.

The Blackinton and Greylock schools will open Thursday after a two weeks vacation.

The L. C. B. A. held a meeting in its hall last evening to take action on the death of Mrs. Martin Naughton, who was one of the members.

The Father Mathew ladies' aid society of Adams has voted to have a sleighride to Blackinton one week from next Friday night. They will use Temperance hall for a social upon their arrival here.

The Father Mathew dramatic club is preparing to present the beautiful Irish drama, "The Maid of Arron" before the beginning of Lent.

Miss Dorothy Davies expects to join her father at Oregon City about the 1st of February. She expects to leave here on January 25. She is one of our most estimable and popular young ladies whom we will regret to lose.

The recent heavy rains and high water have badly washed the retaining bank on the south side of the Blackinton company's dam so that it is necessary to make immediate repairs to save the dam in the event of another freshet.

Mrs. Frances Galvin of 74 Troy city hospital in Boston spent Sunday with at her home here.

Dr. George McBain of St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Boston spent Sunday with friends in this city.

Charles L. Lemm, William Herman and William Fallon returned to Mauleville, N. Y., yesterday after spending Christmas here.

James H. Reynolds is confined to his home suffering from a severe cold.

Mrs. James Eadie is seriously ill at her home suffering from pneumonia.

David W. Evans, who is seriously ill with pneumonia, is reported to be not any better and there is slight hopes of his recovery. His wife, who died Friday morning from the same disease, was buried Sunday, but he does not know of her death.

A large number from Blackinton attended the entertainment given in Williamstown last night for the benefit of St. Patrick's church.

STAMFORD

Luman Cook of Saratoga, N. Y., has returned home after visiting at J. W. Millard's for a few days.

R. S. Blood has returned to Bridge-water after spending a few days at his home here preparing to move there.

The annual roll call meeting of the B. Y. P. U. was held last night. After the meeting a social hour was spent with refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Cook of Greenfield are spending a few days with old friends and relatives here.

Owing to the storm, union services were held in the Baptist church Sunday morning, and in the evening the usual monthly union service was held in the Methodist church.

Juror S. D. Blood has finished his work at court and resumed his duties at the alcohol works.

A DEEP MYSTERY

It is a mystery why women endure Backache, Headache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells when thousands have proved that Electric Bitters will quickly cure such troubles. "I suffered for years with kidney trouble," writes Mrs. Phoebe Cherley of Peterson, Ia., "and a lame back pained me so I could not dress myself, but Electric Bitters wholly cured me, and although 73 years old, I now am able to do all my housework." It overcomes Constipation, Improves Appetite, gives perfect health. Only 50c at Burlington & Darby's drug store.

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CHESHIRE

A CHURCH WEDDING.
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There was a wedding of interest at the Church of the Assumption this morning, when Edward J. Donovan and Miss Mae E. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James McCormick, were married by Rev. T. H. McLaughlin. The church was well filled with relatives and friends of the contracting parties, and the altar was neatly decorated with flowers. At 10 o'clock the bridal party entered the church while a wedding march was played by Prof. Moulumbury, who presided at the organ. Miss Katherine Russell of Adams, cousin of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Jere F. Donovan, brother of the groom, was best man. A nuptial high mass with music by St. Thomas church choir of Adams, was celebrated. Rev. F. McLaughlin being assisted by Rev. T. P. McDonnell. The bride was gowned in cadet blue with white silk and applique trimmings and she wore a hat to match. The bridesmaid was attired in gray (repe de chine and wore a black hat. After the ceremony a reception followed at the bride's home, where about 50 immediate relatives were present. A wedding breakfast was served and the young people received the hearty congratulations of the guests. They received a large number of handsome presents, which testified to their popularity.

The bride was formerly of Adams, where she has many friends, and since coming here she has also gained a large circle of acquaintances who offer best wishes. The groom is a graduate of the Cheshire high school, class of 1895, and also completed a course in the Berkshire business college at Pittsfield. He is a native of this town and a young man who is highly esteemed. During the afternoon they left on a wedding tour through Connecticut, and on their return will reside with the bride's parents. All who know them wish them a long and prosperous future.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Martin have returned from a two weeks' visit with relatives in Long Plain.

Miss May Leonard has gone to Adams for a two weeks' stay.

Prof. Frank Williams of Potsdam, N. Y., who has been a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Brown, has returned.

CHARLEMONT

Next Saturday Rev. A. A. Willis will appear for the third year in the Charlemont lecture course. His theme will be "The model wife." Sunday he will preach at 10 in Goodnow hall. Music will be furnished by the chorus which is preparing the cantata of "Queen Esther" under the direction of Prof. P. P. Hosmer.

Mrs. Jennie Wright has moved to Fitchburg.

Edward Hubbard and family have moved to Berlin, N. Y.

Miss Nellie Adams is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Temple in East Walpole, and other relatives in Boston.

The study club met Monday night with Mrs. L. W. Sears.

A BLACKSMITH'S STORY

He Tells What May Happen to a Strong Man With Hard Muscles

"Up to the spring of 1898," he says, "I was all right, and swung my big sledge as I would a tack hammer. Then I began to be out of sorts. After every meal I had pain and distress, and I began to lose weight and strength. "One day a man came along to have his horse shod, and I told him how I felt. He said I ought to try the new medicine named Calumna Solvent, discovered by Dr. David Kennedy. "Well, I got a bottle the next day. When I had used three bottles I could eat with no trouble to follow. Then I picked up my strength and have kept right along with my work ever since. My stomach and liver are all right, and a heart trouble that used to bother me—with short breath—that is gone too."

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According to historical tradition, the conquest of Finland was foretold in jest that soon became earnest by its conqueror, Peter the Great, to his jester, Balakireff.

Balakireff had vexed the czar by too impudent a joke and had been summarily banished with the menacing injunction never to appear on Russian soil. He disappeared discreetly, but again, one day when long after Peter, glancing out of a window, saw his unmistakable figure and quizzical countenance joggling comfortably by, perched in a country cart. Impulsively he ran down to him and demanded to know why he had disobeyed.

"I haven't disobeyed you," was the answer. "I am not on Russian soil now."

"Not on Russian soil?"

"No. This cartload of earth that I'm sitting on is Swedish soil. I dug it in Finland only the other day."

Peter laughed, but he said, "If Finland be Swedish soil now, it shall be Russian soil before long!" And he made good his words.—Youth's Companion.

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CUPID STEPPED IN

Saved Brockton Italian From Being Prosecuted on Serious Charge

Brockton, Mass., Jan. 1.—Mariano di Pasqua was before the local court yesterday charged with stabbing Rocco Talente. According to the testimony, Pasqua was much incensed toward Talente because the latter had paid attention to his daughter. Last Saturday, as Talente was passing the house, Pasqua called him in and, after having some words, it is charged that he stabbed Talente in the left arm. He was arrested Monday night, and after he had been locked up, Talente and the girl went to the city hall, where they were married. They managed to placate the father in such a way that the case against him would have been dropped entirely if this could have been done. Judge Birby allowed the complaint, charging assault with intent to kill, to be withdrawn and one of simple assault substituted, upon which the prisoner was fined \$10.

Plebiscite Cuts No Figure

Copenhagen, Jan. 1.—It is learned upon the best authority that the treaty between the United States and Denmark for the sale of the Danish West Indies will be signed, in spite of the agitation here against such action, inasmuch as the Danish government has given its promise to that end. The question of a plebiscite will not be allowed to interfere in the matter.

Oil-Laden Vessel Destroyed

San Juan, P. R., Jan. 1.—A German bark arrived at Ponce yesterday having on board Captain Parker and the crew of the oil-laden American four-masted schooner James W. Fitch of Boston, bound for New York to the River Platte. The captain and the crew of the Fitch were picked up in the western West Indies. The Fitch was burned to the water's edge.

Officers' Suspension Recommended

Philadelphia, Jan. 1.—The British naval court of inquiry, which has been investigating the loss of the British bark Sindia, which was wrecked Dec. 15, on the New Jersey coast, yesterday recommended to the British board of trade that Captain McKenzie of the Sindia have his certificate as master suspended for six months, meanwhile having a mate's certificate for that period. The recommendation is further made that Mate George Stewart have his certificate as mate suspended for three months. The loss of the ship and cargo amounts to \$275,000.

Cassels Tells of His Crime

Springfield, Mass., Jan. 1.—John D. Cassels, who is being tried for the murder of Mary J. Lane, took the witness stand yesterday. He said the woman was infatuated with him and urged him to put his wife away. He had done so and made all the arrangements to elope with Mrs. Lane. She failed to keep the agreement and he went to her house, having purchased acid with the intention of committing suicide if she refused to go. The woman told him that she must stay with her family. The rest remains a blank until he found himself lying in a snowbank near the house.

Ready to Receive Subscriptions

Boston, Jan. 1.—The appeal for funds to the people of Massachusetts in aid of the memorial to the late President McKinley, to be erected at Canton, O., was issued in this city last night. The subscription list is headed by Governor Crane, and the early responses brought the total to \$2000. The subscription is to be a popular one, and the state's proportion is \$20,000. Contributions may be sent to Messrs. Kidder, Peabody & Co., Boston. It is desirable to make this a popular subscription, and any sum, however small, will be gratefully received.

Good Year For Carriage Makers

Amesbury, Mass., Jan. 1.—The year just ending has been a prosperous one to Amesbury, for the total carriage shipments show an increase over the year 1900. The value of vehicles manufactured is said to be in excess of that of the past five years. The manufacture of automobile bodies has greatly increased the business of the carriage makers and many factories have large orders on hand.

VENEZUELA

(Continued From First Page).

Venezuela until the issue of the present revolutionary movement directed against President Castro.

President Castro of Venezuela has written an open letter, copies of which have been received by officials here, in which he defends his general policy he has pursued, and throws considerable light upon his aspirations. An indirect allusion is made to the German affair in the president's appeal for united support in defense of the country. The letter was in response to an application, which was granted, for the release of several journalists imprisoned at Caracas. In the course of the letter President Castro says:

"It is painful to observe that the rashness, or, worse, the impatient ambition of some of the mistaken criticism of the leading states and the obstinacy of the revolutionary spirit have sorely tried the wisdom of my liberal policy. At a time when I have desired to see the country happy and its citizens enjoying every comfort, I have had the painful duty of adopting repressive measures contrary to my character, my education and all my sentiments.

"If the offenders in this case have not succeeded in overthrowing the government they have nevertheless contributed to the propaganda which delays the fruit of peace and makes our progress and our prosperity captive in the clutches of the monster of civil war. Our prosperity has been withheld through errors and entanglements for which my government is not responsible, but which claim a prompt and quick solution. In carrying out this policy I should have the support of all the citizens of Venezuela, because therein rests the sovereignty of the fatherland.

"It is my wish that you convey to these journalists my wish to see them again fulfilling their duties of party opposition. I desire that the press shall bring all the charges it may have against me (being confident that its judgment will not affect me). I do this in order to establish under our republican system the absolute justification of my political purposes. I do it also because I have no fear of an adverse public judgment upon my acts."

United States a Factor

Berlin, Jan. 1.—Until Dr. O. Schmidt-Leda, the German minister to Venezuela, arrives at Caracas, which will be about Jan. 5, nothing will be done by the German charge d'affaires there to press President Castro further. Dr. Schmidt-Leda bears instructions from the German government. The carrying out of the successive steps outlined in these instructions will end in coercive measures, which will probably be applied in four or five weeks' time, if in the meantime efforts looking to a settlement shall have failed. Inasmuch as Germany is possessed of the good will of the United States in this matter, it desires to give President Castro ample time to recognize this fact and also that Germany is really in earnest in the matter.

Castro Wants Libertador Seized

Caracas, Jan. 1.—The Official Gazette publishes a decree signed by President Castro, by which the steamer Libertador, formerly the Ban Righ, is declared to be a pirate. The government of Venezuela has offered a reward of \$10,000 and the cargo she carries to the ship which shall seize the Libertador. The Libertador is being used in the interests of the revolution against Castro, of which General Matos is the reputed leader.

Colored Folks' Innings

Charleston, Jan. 1.—New Year's day at the exposition is being largely monopolized by the colored people. The negro building was formally opened and addresses were delivered by prominent colored men. There is on exhibition a rapid-fire machine gun invented by a negro, which is operated by electricity. After the formal exercises were concluded the colored people adjourned to the midway, where an elaborate amusement program is being carried out.

American Claim Is Moderate

Peking, Jan. 1.—The brief diplomatic sensation caused here by the cable announcement that the United States would reduce its Chinese indemnity claim by \$18,000,000 has been ended by a dispatch to Mr. Conger, saying the report to this effect was a fabrication. Secretary Hay said in his message that the American claim is moderate and just, but that the United States was willing to waive its pro rata share if necessary.

Quartet of Alleged Murderers

Hudson, N. Y., Jan. 1.—The three Van Wormer brothers and Harry Bruce were brought into court last night to hear the charge of murder in the first degree read to them. The coroner read his findings and committed all four to the care of the sheriff on the charge of murder in the first degree in killing Peter A. Hallenbeck. All waived examination and entered pleas of not guilty.

Headed For Cuba

San Juan, P. R., Jan. 1.—The United States North Atlantic squadron arrived off this port yesterday. Rear Admiral Higginson came ashore and transferred his flag to the United States gunboat Marietta. The latter had been awaiting the squadron here for several days. Admiral Higginson proceeded to Culebra island last evening. The itinerary of the squadron is unchanged.

Gage Formally Resigns

Washington, Jan. 1.—When Secretary Gage went to the cabinet meeting yesterday he carried with him his formal letter of resignation for presentation to the president. It thanks the president for many courtesies extended, expresses appreciation of the confidence reposed in him, and adds his cordial wishes for the success of the new administration.

Steamer's Cargo Ruined

Havana, Jan. 1.—The Norwegian steamer Banes, from Mobile Dec. 26, for Bocas del Toron, Colombia, with a general cargo, arrived here yesterday on fire. Naptha stored in the forward hold exploded the second day out. The entire cargo of the Banes will be lost. The ship's cook was drowned and one seaman was burned.

TWO KILLED OUTRIGHT

Louis Bitzer Used a Revolver on Five Persons

SHOT CLERK DOWN FIRST

Then Went to His Home and Fired at Wife and Three Children, One of Whom Was Killed—Officers Say That There Is No Evidence of Insanity

Turner's Falls, Mass., Jan. 1.—Louis Bitzer, who shot and killed his clerk, Miss Ida Columbe, and his 5-year-old son, and attempted to take the lives of his wife and two other children yesterday, was taken to the Franklin county jail in Greenfield late yesterday afternoon. He will be charged with murder. While the friends of Bitzer claim that he was insane when he committed the murders, State Detective McKay and Deputy Sheriff Davis, after a careful investigation, say that they have secured no evidence to show that he was insane.

"There have been comparatively few developments in the case since the murders were discovered, and although the tragedy has created a great sensation in this part of the state, no one takes the responsibility of assuming that there was a motive for the crime. The autopsies showed that Miss Ida Columbe and the boy, Louis Bitzer, died instantly. In both cases the bullets penetrated their brains. The autopsy put at rest all disagreeable rumors regarding Miss Columbe, as it showed that she was a pure girl.

Mrs. Christina Bitzer, wife of the murderer, and Carrie Bitzer, the 12-year-old daughter, are both resting comfortably at the Perren hospital in Greenfield. Their wounds are not dangerous. The condition of Annie, the 16-year-old daughter, is more critical, but attending physicians are hopeful for her recovery. The bullet is buried in her skull, and no attempt has as yet been made to extract it.

Detective McKay took charge of the case for the government and is being assisted by Deputy Sheriff Davis in securing evidence to be presented at the hearing. They decline to talk, and have not as yet hinted that there was a motive for the attempt to kill his female clerk and all of the members of his family.

Bitzer is said to be financially embarrassed in the jewelry business he has carried on here. He failed in 1888, and was discharged by the court two years later. Since that time he has carried on the business under the name of M. M. Bitzer. Martin J. Sauter of Greenfield, who loaned Bitzer \$1000 when he opened the store a second time, says he is going to put an attachment on the jewelry store to satisfy his claim.

Minor matters are cited by the townspeople to show that Bitzer had acted strangely for several months. They are quite positive he was insane at the time the murders were committed.

The tragedy occurred between 10 o'clock and noon. Evidence was found that it was Bitzer's purpose also to take his own life, but his prompt arrest apparently prevented him from carrying out this purpose. He is about 35 years of age.

Business was progressing as usual at the store on the principal business street, which Bitzer had conducted for several years. Miss Columbe was attending to her duties about the place, being engaged in putting away the Christmas goods.

Some time after 10 o'clock it was discovered that matters were not all right in the shop, and an investigation led to the discovery of the body of Miss Columbe, with a bullet hole in her head.

On the counter, written on the wrapping paper used in the store, Bitzer had left a penciled note explaining the affair.

WHEN TROUSERS BAG.

Largely the Fault of the Sheep That Furnished the Wool.

To the man who would be well dressed there is no greater annoyance with which he has to contend than that of the trousers bagging at the knees. It is especially trying to clerks and all who have indoor occupations which compel them to sit at a desk for the best part of the time.

It is just this class, too, who have to maintain a well dressed appearance, and there is nothing surely that destroys that dressy get up so much as bagging trousers, unless it be dirty shoes.

Try as you may to preserve the "hang" by creasing or pulling them up over the kneecap when sitting or putting in a stretcher or beneath the mattress of your bed overnight, all these are only aids and they cannot maintain that perfect form during the whole lifetime of the garment.

It is more than possible that you have never given a thought as to whether there might be any fundamental cause for this evil. You will be surprised to learn that it is due to disease.

Now, it is not meant of course that the trousers contract this ailment during the time they are worn. The trouble goes back further than that. It begins on the sheep's back—that is, if they are wool.

These and other interesting facts were learned from an expert who has made wool a life study and who burs and sells more of it than any other half dozen men in the business, since he is the chief buyer for one of the biggest wool syndicates in the world.

This gentleman knows by the feel and appearance of wool just how and where it was grown, and by examining a fleece he will tell in what country it was grown, what the condition of the animal was, in health or sickness, during the growth of that fleece, and during which month of the year the animal suffered from illness.

If the fiber of the fleece is short or long, fine or coarse, weak or strong, so may the health of the animal be judged. Anything that weakens the vitality of the animal affects the fiber of the wool.

The animal may have been well in the autumn and early winter. In midwinter it may lose flesh for some reason and then fatten toward spring. In such a case the wool shows marked structural weakness. The fiber will be weak about the center.

Again, if the sheep is ill from any cause, in the autumn the weak place in the fiber will be near the tip. If the illness was during the spring, the weakness will be nearer the roots.

When such wool is woven into cloth, you can understand how slight strains would break the fiber and cause the cloth to stretch. Thus, you see, the illness of the sheep affects more than the animal.—Chicago Chronicle

THE TREASURY STATISTICS

Dr. A Most Encouraging Nature Quoted by the Retiring Secretary

Washington, Jan. 1.—At the cabinet meeting yesterday Secretary Gage reviewed briefly the financial story of the four years just closing. "For this calendar year," said he, speaking of it after the meeting, "we show receipts in excess of the ordinary expenditures amounting roundly to \$100,000,000. Such an excess might have resulted in serious embarrassment had not the department been able to reduce the public debt in large amounts. Since April 1 last the treasury has redeemed and cancelled United States bonds to the par value of \$58,714,700.

"The volume of money in circulation on March 1, 1897, outside the treasury was \$1,075,694,953, and the amount per capita \$23.14. On Dec. 1 last the amount outside the treasury was \$2,250,250,230, and the amount per capita \$28.73. The amount of gold coin and gold certificates in circulation increased from \$553,860,515 on March 1, 1897, to \$914,300,089 on Dec. 1, 1901. Every other kind of money in circulation is greater in amount now than it was on March 1, 1897, except the treasury notes of the act of July 14, 1890, of which the amount in circulation on Dec. 1, 1901, was only \$40,012,622, as against \$85,546,621 on March 1, 1897.

"The increase in the amount of national bank notes in circulation during the period in question was \$132,132,731. "Comparing the situation as it is today with April 1, 1897, the result is more gratifying. On the latter day the treasury held money of all kinds to the amount of \$250,875,000, leaving therefore, \$150,000,000 as a cash balance. Today in money of all kinds the treasury holds \$296,650,000 and if we deduct the \$150,000,000 now held as a gold reserve the balance stands at \$146,650,000, or \$4,000,000 less than it was April 1, 1898. It will be seen, therefore, that substantial equilibrium has been maintained."

JUST AS HE LEFT THEM.

His toys are lying on the floor, Just as he left them there, The painted things and keeping store, The little broom chair: The jumping pin, the whistling ball, The duck, the gun, the boat, The funny looking Chinese doll And bucking billy goat.

They lie about, poor, battered things, The rabbit and the fox, The cuckoo with the broken wings, The jack spring and the rattle, Here lie his knife, his tangled string, His bow and silver cup, Because I'm tired of following Around to pick them up. —Chicago Times-Herald

CATARRAHAL TROUBLE.

The Various Phases of This Unpleasant Affliction.

Catarrh is an inflammation of any of the mucous membranes of the body. It is marked by the usual signs of inflammation, and, as the word implies, being derived from a Greek word meaning to flow down, by a more or less profuse discharge.

Catarrh may be acute or chronic, and the latter, as will be explained later, may be either atrophic or hypertrophic.

Acute catarrh unfortunately needs no description, for it is only too familiar to us all as a cold in the head. In this case it is the mucous membrane of the nostrils which is inflamed. The most obvious symptoms are swelling of the membrane, which may be so great as to close the nostrils completely, and a profuse discharge.

When acute catarrh attacks the pharynx or larynx, we have a sore throat, and if the inflammation extends still farther we have bronchitis. In the latter case the most evident sign is a cough, due either to the presence of a mucous discharge or to irritation caused by the air passing through the inflamed bronchial tubes.

In young children the inflammation in the larynx causes much swelling, and this gives rise to the difficult breathing and hoarse voice which characterize one form of croup.

If catarrh attacks the stomach, it causes severe indigestion, and when the intestinal mucous membrane is affected the most prominent symptom is diarrhea. Conjunctivitis and acute inflammation of the ear are the expressions of catarrh of the eye and of the drum of the ear.

In chronic catarrh the process is less active; there is usually little or no pain, but the discharge is profuse and thick.

In hypertrophic catarrh the mucous membrane becomes permanently thickened, but in atrophic catarrh it is thinned. Atrophic catarrh is not really an inflammation, but rather the result of a previous inflammation which has destroyed the mucous membrane, leaving in its place merely a thin skin, covering the surface, but answering none of the purposes of a mucous membrane.

A catarrh may be caused by anything that acts as an irritant to the mucous membrane—dust, sulphurous, ammoniacal or other strong fumes, undue dryness of the atmosphere, and so forth. In the case of the air passages or eyes, indigestible food, alcohol, and so forth, in the case of stomach or intestines.

Often the inflammation is due to the action of the microbes, which are probably always present, but can work harm only when the soil has been prepared for them by mechanical injury, or by congestion caused by a chilling of some portion of the surface of the body.—Youth's Companion.

A Shadow on Her Life.

Somebody once asked a tranquil old resident of Nantucket if he life had always run as smoothly as she could wish, if no great sorrows or disappointments had ever come to mar its serenity.

The old lady sat looking out of the window for a moment and then turned to her questioner with a little smile on her sweet face.

"I suppose you'll think it's foolish, maybe," she said, "but I did have one great disappointment, and I've never forgotten it. There was a man that came to the island once with hand organ and monkey. He got as far as the corner of our street, and I thought he was coming right this way, but he didn't."

"I was housed with a cold and couldn't go out to see him and his monkey, so I only caught just a glimpse of them. They played half an hour in the next street."

"Disappointments like that stay by folks all their lives," she added after a sympathetic ejaculatory from her visitor. "It was more than 30 years ago, but I've never ceased regretting I didn't see that monkey. I've been wonderfully blessed in every other way, dear; but that organ grinder never came to the island again, never!" —Youth's Companion.

Saved by a Woman.

"Laugh! Why, I thought I should 'a' died."

"Was't the joke, Bill?"

"My misssus started to jaw the copper wot took for me, and oh, Lor!—he 'a' left me an' you 'a' in!"—Judge Kluge.

STRIKERS ARE WAITING

To Hear From Textile Workers' Executive Council

TIEUP OF COCHECO MILLS

Postponed Until Assurance of Sanction Is Received—Striking Weavers at Lawrence Vote to Remain Out Until Demands are Granted

Dover, N. H., Jan. 1.—The 200 striking weavers of the Cochecho Manufacturing company held a meeting last night, which was largely attended by weavers on other grades of work in the mills, and as a result it was decided to hear from the executive council of the United Textile Workers of America before action is taken on a general strike.

The most interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of the telegram received from the national officers of the Textile union after the meeting had closed on Monday night. The telegram stated that the local officers of the Textile union could go ahead and order a general strike if they desired. The local officers have not as yet decided to order a general tie-up of the Cochecho mills, but will wait to get the views of the executive council regarding the matter. Until they are heard from there will be no change in the strike situation, and all of the employees, with the exception of the 200 striking weavers, will continue at work. The other weavers expressed themselves as willing to quit work when the order is issued by the local officials of the union.

The Lawrence Strike

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 1.—An enthusiastic meeting of the striking weavers of the Atlantic mills was held yesterday, at which Chairman Nichols of the executive committee, appointed to look after the interests of the strikers, presided. There were about 150 strikers present and they unanimously voted to stay away from their work and induce all others to do the same, until the advance of 10 cents a cut on broad loom work was given them.

Chairman Nichols said that the strikers would never go back to work until the advance was made. "We were cut down a few weeks ago 22 cents a cut," he said, "and we will leave the city before we will return to work without getting some of our wages back. We shall try to have others leave their work."

Agent Somersby of the Atlantic mills says: "I don't anticipate any extensive trouble. You now the country could grant a franchise to lay a railroad across the Atlantic ocean, but it could not be done. No labor union can vote to stay away from work, and do so altogether. I have nothing against the strikers and will let them take their own pleasure about coming back. We can't advance wages on these goods but if they want more looms we can give them another." The strike has caused the silencing of 825 looms.

A Gould-Harriman Purchase

Kansas City, Jan. 1.—The Kansas City suburban belt railway, the Consolidated railway terminal and the Kansas City and Independent air line were sold at auction here yesterday for an aggregate of \$2,500,000 to Max Parn, representing the Harriman-Gould interests, who made the only bid. Two steel bridges and packing house terminals belonging to the Union Terminal company were also bid in by Mr. Parn for \$1,300,000.

Appreciated Faithful Employees

New York, Jan. 1.—Edward Kemp, the millionaire druggist, by his will, filed for probate yesterday, bequeathed \$50,000 to employees who have been in his firm for five years or longer. To the widow he leaves \$100,000 and household effects absolutely, and a country seat of 500 acres and the income of the rest of the estate.

Russia Wants American Engines

Marquette, Mich., Jan. 1.—A local engine building firm is in receipt of a formal inquiry from the Russian government asking as to when engines can be shipped to Russia and conveying the information that a large order will be placed. The engines, operated by gasoline, are wanted for service on the czar's torpedo boat fleet.

Present Position Suits Him

Washington, Jan. 1.—First Assistant Postmaster General Johnson has declined a tender made to him by Governor Voorhees of the office of state treasurer of New Jersey. Mr. Johnson said that while he appreciated the honor done him, he preferred to remain in his present position.

Lynching Talk Has Ceased

Elizabeth City, N. C., Jan. 1.—James Wilcox, who is held in connection with the death of Miss Ella Cropsey, is still confined in the jail here. Popular sentiment is very strong against him, but time has alleviated the feeling somewhat and the talk of lynching has ceased.

Bank Robbed of \$125,000

Lisbon, Jan. 1.—A confidential clerk of the Credit Predial bank has been arrested, charged with the embezzlement of \$125,000. It appears that the clerk has long practiced an ingenious system of forgeries. A number of alleged accomplices have also been arrested.

Russia Wants Representative

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—The Rossiya expresses itself as dissatisfied with the Chinese advisory board, composed of Messrs. Rockhill and Foster and Sir Robert Hart, and demands equal representation on the board for all the powers.

Choice Article.

Inquisitive Neighbor—Dear little thing! How much did she weigh?

Proud Young Mother—Six pounds, I believe. But you don't estimate babies in this family by weight, Mrs. Nezdore.—Chicago Tribune.

A Question of Taste.

Barber—Shall I shave you with scented or unscented soap?

Customer—Use scented soap, please. It tastes nicer.—New York American Advertiser.

---Assignee's Sale---

The stock of Christie & Co. must be turned into cash in order to take the necessary cash out of the stock as quickly as possible. Still further reductions have been made. See the following quotations.

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Blamrok, the Iron Chancellor, sold by subscription at \$7.50, assignee's price now \$1.98—only a few copies.

Beautiful Britain, sold by subscription at \$5.00, assignee's price—only a few copies.

The Wonderful Story of Old, 2 volumes, cloth, sold by subscription at \$7.50 a set, assignee's price 1.10 set.

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A Gentleman Player, Rose & Charlotte, Manders, Via Lucis, Deficient Saints, The River of Pearls, In Guiana Wilds, Lally of the Brigade, The Paths of the Prudent, Mademoiselle D'Barney, A Man at Arms and Vivian of Virginia, all at 69c each.

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I know not what record of sin awaits me in the other world, but this I do know, that I never was so mean as to despise a man because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black—John A. Andrews.

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WE HOLD THE WESTERN GATEWAY
From seal of the City of North Adams.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON JAN. 1, 1902

ADVERTISERS in the Transcript are the best business men in the community. Their advertisements are worth reading and they are the firms with whom to trade most advantageously.

THE YEAR'S BEST EVENTS

Dispatches from various cities in the country tell what they consider the best events of the year in each. It is interesting to observe the nature of the things which the leading communities of the leading country of the world consider the greatest blessings of a year. New York, for instance, declares that the overthrow of Tammany was the best thing it did. Boston reports its advance in rapid transit as its greatest blessing. Chicago votes for the decision of the courts which assessed in full the capital stocks of its corporations. Philadelphia feels most blest in the start made towards the filtration of its water supply. San Francisco records the Epworth league convention held there and the visit of President McKinley. And Pittsburg, poor Pittsburg, pins its faith in the winning of the national league baseball pennant as its best event of the year. If we should try to decide what had been the best thing of the year in North Adams, what would the answer be?

NEW YORK'S JEALOUSY

The rivalry of the cities of New York and Boston as ports of entry for imports has resulted in the very startling charge by a New York newspaper that the appraisers at the port of Boston have been undervaluing imports for the purpose of inducing trade in that direction. The assertion, although so serious, is presented merely as an assertion, and is indignantly denied by everyone in a position to know anything about it. It seems at the best to have been inspired by a vain jealousy on the part of New York over the fact that in some lines Boston is winning in the race for commerce.

Machinery and raw wool are the two things the importations of which Boston has almost entirely taken away from New York. It is not hard to see the reason in the fact that Boston is much nearer the center of the woolen industry and cloth machine using industry of the country. The charge which was brought against the United States government's agents in the custom house was rather startling for one unsupported by anything but jealousy. The incident does not put New York in a favorable light.

PITTSFIELD'S DESIRE

The novel spectacle is now offered of Pittsfield, which scoffed vigorously at the annexation of Blackinton by this city, starting a movement to annex a third or so of the town of Hancock. That the scheme is not for the purpose of increasing the population is evidenced by the fact, according to reports, that the territory desired is occupied only by three families and a colony of Shakers. Although every little helps, it is not to be supposed that Pittsfield would take Hancock in preference to Dalton if population were in this case the prime object. Increased territory, for a town which in area is already as large as Adams, North Adams and Clarksburg, would seem superfluous for a city of Pittsfield's present population.

It is interesting to observe, that as advocated by the Pittsfield Journal, which started the movement, the chief desire seems to be to save Hancock the expense of the care of the roads of the territory and to "get next" to New York state in its boundaries. The Journal thinks that by putting enough money into the highways that connect it with New York state through Hancock, the Pittsfield merchants would be greatly benefited. Whether the Pittsfield taxpayers see it that way remains an open question. It is fair guessing that a part of Clarksburg will be annexed to North Adams before a part of Hancock is added to Pittsfield's broad acres.

THE GAS COMPANY

A statement of the financial operation of a corporation that acts under special

privileges which exclude competition while catering to public needs is always of interest and value, and the report of the North Adams gas light company for the last fiscal year, ending July 1, as published in yesterday's Transcript, contained some interesting figures.

It showed that the company is making plenty of profit, and that it is also going ahead steadily in the extension of its plant to meet the ever growing needs of the city. Its balance, which consists of its physical property, increased during the year by nearly \$20,000, while it also increased its debt for the purpose of making improvements by \$21,000, and reduced its cash on hand by some \$1,300. Its dividend consisted of eight per cent on the capital stock, while it paid interest on a debt equal to the stock. The increase of the balance has been rendered larger during the year reported on by the fact of a considerable amount of unfinished work carried over to the accounts of the present year.

Since the close of the year on which the report was made the company has doubled its capital stock, thus decreasing its debt and at the same time enabling further enlargement of its plant.

An interesting feature of the report is that which shows the profit from the manufacture of gas to have decreased by over \$2,000, while the profit from the manufacture of electricity increased by almost \$15,000. This remarkable increase in profits from electricity is due to the steady change from gas to electricity for lighting purposes, to the rapid increase in its use for power in manufacturing plants, and to its use as motive power for the ventilating fan of the Hoac tunnel. The decrease in profit from gas is due to the decided reduction that was made some nine or ten months ago in the price of gas for fuel, and to the substitution of electricity.

In connection with the profit from electricity, it should be said that the electric lighting service for the past few months has been as bad as it could well be and still be called "light." This has been due to the failure of the huge engine which the company installed to meet the demands upon it. A difficulty which the company hopes to have remedied within a short time, as told in the news columns of today's issue.

When your resolutions get broken, don't bother to save the pieces.

Now let the legislature wag merrily on for many months.

Well, did you get your accounts for the year balanced up last night?

In shape, Hancock much resembles Chili. And now Pittsfield wants to be Argentina.

Down Boston way the telephone companies are getting back at subscribers who complain of slow service by vigorous ringing of the bell when subscribers themselves don't answer calls promptly.

A Chicago physician claims to have discovered the secret of nerves, showing just how they exert their influence on the muscles of the body. But the language he uses in explaining his discovery would make one too nervous to listen.

Even modern improvements prove inconvenient sometimes. A despondent youth took a room in a Springfield hotel the other day with the intention of committing suicide by turning on the gas but found that the room was lighted only by electricity. So he had to shoot himself.

The suggestion has been made frequently since Andrew Carnegie began his effort to see how soon he and his money could be parted, that he should use some of his wealth in endowing a national theater. Mr. Carnegie has at last announced that he will do no such thing, saying: "On the continent of Europe many theaters are subsidized by government, but none by English-speaking peoples in any part of the world. It would be an experiment here, and if to be made, should be by government, as in Europe. It does not seem a proper field for private gifts."

Dr. Edward Hitchcock, the veteran physical director of Amherst college, calls attention to the fact that while even in time of epidemic deaths from small pox are rare consumption kills one in every eight of those who die in the state, and maintains that complete isolation is the only way to check the ravages of the disease. He says: "This subject may not come to our legislators within a year or two, but the evil and danger must be met in some effective way if we would check this all-sweeping disease. Legislation, sanitary laws and home guards have made a mighty check on typhoid fever within 27 years; vaccination will stamp out small pox, and fresh air, good food and the confinement of the germ within limits will make a great breach in the giant monster's domain of infection."

New Year Points

Spite of all folks do or say
Things will roll along your way
If you'll catch a brand-new grip,
Keep a rigid upper lip.
Put your shoulder to the wheel,
Tug away with earnest zeal—
Show 'em what you're going to do
In the year of 1902.

Ain't no use to sit an' whine,
Waitin' for the sun to shine;
When things are a-lookin' black

Don't you never turn your back!
Roll your sleeves up an' sail in.
That's the only way to win:
Don't start off a-lookin' blue
In the face of 1902.

Grab the oars an' pull away,
With a light heart every day;
Don't go floatin' down the stream
Laggard-like, as in a dream;
Don't lay back an' idly drift
When the current's runnin' swift—
Breast the stream of life anew
As you start off 1902.

Strive to always do your best,
Providence will fix the rest;
Take the pleasure with the pain,
And the sunshine with the rain;
Take the briars an' the rose
With the winter wind that blows—
You'll pick thorns an' blossoms, too,
In the face of 1902.

Lend a hand to those around,
Stranded on the boggy ground;
Sing a song of hope an' cheer
Every day throughout the year;
Meet reverses with a smile,
Keep your sand at par, meanwhile—
Did your doubting fears adieu
As you enter 1902.

—E.A. Brininstool in Los Angeles Times

NEWSPAPER COMMENTS

General DeWet's success in rushing a British camp at night will furnish more food for reflection for the British people. Instances of this kind have been constantly recurring during the past year, and they apparently prove the contention that the South African war is not as near an end as the English hope. The recent talk of granting more liberal terms to the burghers was in the right direction, and the British government will no doubt act wisely if it adopts this method of putting a stop to hostilities.—Troy Times.

We have wooden pavements, asphalt pavements and pavements that are worse than no pavement at all, but, all things considered, have any of them stood the test of wear and tear so well as the vitrified brick pavements? The principal objection to be brought against the vitrified brick is that of noise, but in that respect they are far superior to a block granite paving. They are not as slippery as asphalt or the new wooden blocks are proving to be. They have demonstrated that they are durable. Until the millennium of a perfect pavement—noiseless and durable—shall have arrived, the vitrified brick appears destined to hold its own against all comers.—Springfield Homestead.

We have great respect for the country banker who has carefully studied broad questions and worked out sound conclusions, and who often understands far better than the city bred man the feelings of the people and the best way of commanding their approval. The nation is to be congratulated that a president may look to a small town like Dalton, Massachusetts, with only 3,014 inhabitants of Denison in Iowa, with but \$46, for a man worthy to succeed the Chicago banker who is about to retire from public service at Washington.—New York Evening Post.

The astonishment of civilians at the sentence pronounced by President McKinley and his cabinet, against Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles is shared by recognized military experts. The two service papers, the Army and Navy Register, express very plainly the professional view of this extraordinary incident. If military men are no longer to be free to express complimentary opinions of others, says the Journal, "it would seem that some more appropriate method might be found for making the fact known than by open rebuke through the public press, by a civilian secretary of an officer of higher and distinguished service, who by virtue of his position represents the honor and dignity of the military service."—Boston Post.

One Other.
During Mr. Lincoln's canvass of Illinois for the senatorial seat in 1858, a made a speech in Rushville, a small town in the interior of the state, which was listened to with great interest by a young woman who sometimes wrote for the local paper, The Schuyler Citizen.

The next number of that paper contained an article from her pen, in which she said:
"So many people had told me that Mr. Lincoln was a miracle of homeliness that I expected to see the ugliest man in Illinois. Instead of that I saw a man whose face lit up in the most extraordinary way when he talked, and I don't care what anybody else's opinion is—I want to say that I consider Mr. Lincoln one of the handsomest men I ever saw."

A copy of that paper was sent to Mr. Lincoln, with the article marked.
He showed it to his wife, a queer smile wrinkling his rugged features while he said, "Mary," he said, "I have always thought until now that you were the only woman on earth who considered me a handsome man, and I have not been at all satisfied about that, but it seems there is one other."—Youth's Companion.

Contents of Perspiration.
A couple of German scientists have made some interesting experiments regarding the body waste of soldiers on the march. Among other things investigated were the amount and character of the perspiration. They found that as much as 12 per cent of the total amount of nitrogen given off by the body in the exertions might be secreted through the sweat glands. The percentage was especially high in hot weather. These nitrogenous excretion products do not evaporate, but remain in the pores of the clothing, rendering them offensive and dangerous if allowed to accumulate to any extent, as the individual is soon walking about clothed practically in a coating formed of the products of his own perspiration.

Chase the Wrong Evil.

The devil once appeared to a young man and, telling him that he held him in his power, bade him do one of three things. "Tonight," said the devil, "you must get drunk or murder your wife or throw your mother-in-law out of the second floor front window." The young man, who was naturally of a gentle disposition, chose the first alternative. So he went out that night and got beastly drunk, and he told his mother-in-law and threw his mother-in-law out of the second floor front window.
Moral.—Of three evils never choose the least.—London Judy.

E. W. L.
This signature is on every box of the genuine
Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets
the remedy that cures a cold in one day.

THE THEATERS

Tickets for "Mrs. Dane's defense" at the Richmond went on sale this morning. The play is one whose record and reputation last year in New York should insure it a warm welcome. It is produced by what is said to be one of the best companies that Charles Frohman has ever put on the roof. Of its merits, the following statement by its press agent is supported by what has been said of it by critics: "Of the artistic and literary value of the play there seems to be little doubt. It discusses a social topic with all the grace and ability which distinguishes the writings of the great English playwright, Henry Arthur Jones, its author. The story is an absorbingly interesting one and is constructed on powerful and intense dramatic lines. The dialogue has all the charm, felicity of expression and epigrammatic force which characterizes most of this dramatist's plays. The height of interest culminates in a great third act, which has been superlatively praised on all hands for its extreme tension and striking human interests."

THE SWANETANS.

A Curious People Living in the Heart of the Caucasus.

In the heart of Caucasasia lies Swanetia, a long but narrow valley at the foot of the Elburz mountain, through which the river Ingura winds. For most of the year Swanetia is isolated entirely from the world and even in the summer season the mountain passes leading to the locality are made extremely dangerous by water currents, avalanches and falling rocks. There is a strange semisavage people in the valley numbering about 9,000 families. They subsist on their chase for wild animals, of which there is an abundance in the mountains, and in the mild season of the year plant just as much grain as is required for their immediate necessity. Every now and then a Swanetian will wander away from his secluded home into a more civilized neighborhood to sell a few hides and to get in exchange a few things that he misses in his native valley, such as cloth, cotton fabrics and some articles of apparel.

But this he does very seldom and with great unwillingness, for his needs are few and his native valley has made him love isolation. They speak a dialect the principal element of which is corrupt Georgian, with Persian and Kirguese terms of speech strongly intermixed. They are of a pacific nature and extremely shy of strangers.

The dress and manner of living of the Swanetians present a striking contrast to the dwellings they occupy. They cover their bodies with hides in the winter and go about half naked in the warm season of the year; of cleanliness and comfort they know nothing, and there are no luxuries among them. But they live in ancient castles of magnificent construction, though more than half ruined. There is on each of these castles a small square, a number of such castles in the mountains that encircle the Swanetian valley. The Swanetians have a sort of writing, and their folklore is rich in curious traditions and quaint legends, pointing to a time when their intercourse with the world was more frequent than at present, and when they ranked among the strong and civilized peoples of the region.

But all this is dying out with them. They worship four divinities and sacrifice animals unto them. Their conceptions of those deities are strikingly suggestive of corrupted notions of the Trinity and the Virgin and indicate that they were once Christians, but lapsed into heathenism before Christianity took deep root among them. They are strangers to all that we accept as social morality. There is a terrible percentage among them of lunatics, idiots, cretins, epileptics and those stricken with cognate, physical and nervous diseases.

The physical deformities of the Swanetians are commensurate with their moral deterioration and show that they must have lived as they live now for many generations. Their heads are flattened at the back and abnormally elongated in the temples; they are marked with strong prognathism and with diastema of both the upper and lower teeth. As a consequence of cretinism, which is prevalent among them, nearly all the Swanetians have goiters, which begin to develop at a very early age.

The Man Who Is a Family Nuisance.

It is not an uncommon thing for the world to make mistakes and ascribe to some men better tempers, to others worse ones, than they actually possess. A man may not only be thoroughly selfish and exacting, but ready to fly into a passion at a small provocation and yet pass for being good tempered simply because those around him are afraid to cross him and give him no opportunity for breaking out. His likes and dislikes are always taken into account and considered beforehand. This is known to him, and the sacrifice is pleasing.

The members of his family—for temper is chiefly a feature of family life—think that peace is secured by the price of their own inclinations and congratulate themselves on the fact that papa or Uncle Richard is in such a good temper. The fact is that he is in an abominably bad one. He is probably quite unconscious of the fact and unconscious, too, that in their hearts the other members of the family think him a nuisance and are waiting for the first opportunity to get away from him as freely when he is out of the house, more freely still when he is a hundred miles away.—Chambers' Journal.

Followed Directions.

The servant girl who follows directions explicitly has always been considered a jewel, but there are some flaws even in the most valuable gems. As this story shows.

The jewel in question was a Scandinavian, willing and vigorous, but not over-armed with intelligence. When she first arrived on the scene, she had never seen a refrigerator before. After initiating her into its mysteries, the new mistress instructed her never to leave in the icebox anything old or left over, but to keep it perfectly clean and fresh by throwing away the old things every morning.

On the day following this the mistress happened to look out of the window and noticed something peculiar in the yard. Summoning the maid she asked:

"Sophia, what is that, and how did it get there?"

The Scandinavian beamed with joy at her own cleverness and in expectation of cordial approval.

"That is old ice, ma'am, left from yesterday. I threw it away lak you tole me."

—New York Mail and Express.

Charlotte is a corruption of the old English word charly, which means a dish of custard, and Charlotte was a Russian charlotte.

There is no distinction of parts of speech in the Chinese language and no recognition of a principle of infection.

MAINE'S CONSUMPTION CURE.

It Is Said to Be Tolerably Certain, But Few People Will Take It.

Maine doctors send patients suffering from tuberculosis into the northern pine woods. There the patient must live far from his kind, enduring a loneliness that is often as bad as death. People whose lungs are seriously affected, and who know the conditions upon which their lives may be prolonged often hesitate to accept the advice of their physicians and go thus into exile.

Every man who seeks the prolongation of his life in the woods must pay a heavy price. If he could go to an up river hotel and come into contact with persons who travel to and from the cities, or if he could build a sanatorium and make his environment to suit himself, it would be different, but the physicians have learned that isolation is one of the most potent of the curative agents that can be employed. Sufficient light work to keep up the appetite and to occupy the patient's mind, so that he shall have no time for brooding over his ills, is another part of the cure. Isolation, occupation and warm, dry quarters on high land among the pine woods complete the treatment which the patient must take, which in time will probably restore him to health.

There are from 25 to 30 consumptive patients in the Maine woods at all seasons of the year. They reside in the forest, year in and year out, until their lungs begin to heal. After this, if there is no unfavorable symptom for six months longer, the exile is permitted to visit his friends for a few days, not oftener than twice a year.

After four years of such solitary confinement he is permitted to take a holiday at a sporting camp where not more than four persons can be accommodated at one time, and to live there until his cure is completed or he is able to do a full day's work without fatigue. At the end of about five years the patient, if hale and able to work among men, gets a certificate which sets him at liberty.

Among the more than 400 Maine people who are taken with consumption every year not one in ten will agree to undergo the ordeal which is the price of recovery, and of those who do go to the woods not one in five will stay long enough to take the full treatment. The majority prefer an early death to the prolonged absence from those who make life worth living. Yet the records show that nine out of every ten men who have been steadfast enough to see the treatment through to the end have come out cured, and of those who have died in the woods only two or three nearly a hundred have died from consumption.—New York Sun.

His Queer Guests.

A writer in Temple Bar says that Frank Buckland, the naturalist, used to delight in entertaining all sorts of queer people. A neighbor, returning home one day, found an enormous crowd in front of the house, making the footway impassable and extending some distance across the street. Seeing a police constable, he inquired the reason for such a crowd and requested to be conducted to his front door. The officer replied that there was a dinner party at Mr. Buckland's, adding, "Not that there's anything extraordinary in a dinner party, sir, but it's the company, for Tom Thumb, the Circassian giantess and the Siamese twins have already arrived, and some more of them are expected."

She Apologized.

"Angelina," said the youth hotly as he entered the drawing room, "it remains for you to say whether our mutual friendship shall continue or be ended here at once."

"What is the matter?" asked the beautiful girl, opening her lovely orbs to their widest extent.

"Your father has just called me a stupid young idiot."

"And you want me to apologize for him?"

"I do."

"Then I cheerfully do it. Father is at together too frank, and I have often told him that even the truth shouldn't at any be spoken."

But he was not satisfied, and another beautiful romance has been blighted.—London Tit-Bits.

Words of Awful Import.

"What would you do if you were to get convicted of a penitentiary offense?" asked Plodding Pete.

"I'd never serve me term," answered Meandering Mike.

"Maybe you'd have to."

"No. De law would lose its grip on me right dere. As soon as I heard de judge say 'imprisonment wi' hard labor' I'd drop dead."—Washington Star.

Our Tea Department

37 chests of uncolored Japan 3 lbs for \$1
21 chests Gungpowder 3 lbs. \$1
17 chests Oolong, 3 lbs. \$1
13 chests Green Japan 3 lbs. \$1
7 chests English Breakfast 3 lbs. \$1
9 chests Gungpowder 3 lbs. \$1
7 chests Oolong, 2 lbs. \$1
Our Coffees are superior in quality:
400 pounds the 27c kind, 3 lbs. for 70c
350 pounds, the 25c kind, 3 lbs. for 60c
250 pounds, the 19c kind, 3 lbs. for 45c
225 pounds of the 15c kind, 3 lbs. for 35c

Our Candy Department

Choice mixed, 4 lbs. for 35c
Fancy Creams, 2 lbs. for 35c
Cut Rock, per pound, 15c
Ribbon, 3 lbs. for 35c
Our Coffees are superior in quality:
400 pounds the 27c kind, 3 lbs. for 70c
350 pounds, the 25c kind, 3 lbs. for 60c
250 pounds, the 19c kind, 3 lbs. for 45c
225 pounds of the 15c kind, 3 lbs. for 35c

Our Stock of Farinaceous Goods

Pettifohn, 4 packages for 35c
Quaker Oats, 4 packages for 35c
Pillsbury's Oats, 4 packages for 35c
Cornmeal, 4 packages for 35c
Mothers Pancake flour, four pack. 35c
H. O. Pancake flour, 4 packages 35c
H. O. Buckwheat flour, 4 pack. for 35c

Our Canned Goods Department

Corn, 3 cans for 25c
Peas, 3 cans for 25c
String Bean, 3 can for 25c
Succotash, 3 cans for 25c
Butter Beans, 3 cans for 25c

Syrups and Molasses

Syrup, best, per gallon 40c
N. O. Molasses, per gallon, 40 and 50c
Porto Rico Molasses, 30 and 40c
Quart Bottle Maple Syrup, 15c
Small Bottle Maple Syrup 3 for 25c
4 bottles Catsup for 25c
4 bottles horseradish for 25c
4 cans Baked Beans for 25c
6 packages Macaroni for 25c

Our Soap Department

Lenox, 8 cakes for 25c
Helmate, 10 cakes for 25c
Bee, 6 cakes for 25c
Rabbit, 6 cakes for 25c
Ivory Soap, 6 cakes for 25c
Sapone, 6 packages for 25c
Pearline, 6 packages for 25c

"The Store That Never Disappoints."

The BOSTON STORE,

Empsall & Hatch
North Adams' Leading Dry Goods Emporium.

Don't Forget Our REMNANT SALE

All The Rest Of The Week.

Small Purchases at Small Prices the Rule.

You will find great values on our remnant counters, and you can't well afford to miss it. That French Flannel and Gingham offering is one to which we wish to call special attention. In the basement there is Outing Flannel, Table Linen and Crash Remnants at prices that will not let them stay long. Don't allow anything to interfere, but come early and get your share of these remnants.

TINKER & RANSFORD,

Fire, Life, Accident Insurance. Steamship tickets on all lines
Acams National Bank Building
North Adams, Mass.

If you are looking for a home or an investment, it will pay you to inquire into the following REAL ESTATE BARGAINS.

Two-tenement house on East Union street.
House and large lot on Church St.
Cottage on Liberty street and numerous other offers in different parts of the city.

For full particulars call at office of
Wm H. Benne tt,
Office No. 2, Adams National Bank Bldg., Cor. Bank and Main Sts.

Boston & Maine Railroad.
FITCHBURG DIVISION.
From October 20, 1901, trains, will run on as follows:

Leave North Adams—Eastward.
For Greenfield, a2.15, *5.10, 7.23, 9.49, 11.28 a. m., *1.08, 3.08, 4.52, 6.47 and *9.20 p. m.
For Fitchburg and Boston, a2.15, *5.10, 7.23, 9.49, 11.28 a. m., *1.08, 3.08, 4.52 p. m., *9.20 p. m.
For Worcester, a2.15, *5.10, 7.23, 9.49, 11.28 a. m., *1.08, 3.08 p. m.
Leave North Adams westward.
For Williamstown, Hoosick Falls, Troy and Albany, a5.40, 7.37, 9.56 a. m., 12.10, 12.20, 1.53, *2.29, 4.49, *5.03, 9.00, 10.40 p. m.
For New York, a5.40, 7.37, 9.56 a. m., 12.10, 12.20, 1.53, *2.29, 4.49, *5.03, 9.00, 10.40 p. m.
For Saratoga, 7.37 a. m., and 4.49 p. m.
For Bennington and Rutland, (via B. and R. R.) 7.37 a. m., 1.53 and 4.49 p. m.
For Rotterdam Junction and the west, 1.53, *5.08, *9.00, 10.40 p. m.
For Mechanicville, 7.37 a. m., *5.08, 4.49, *9.00 p. m.

I Have a number of desirable parcels of Real Estate for sale, either for a home or for an investment.

A. S. Alford
95 Main Street.

Inventory Sale

Stock Must Be Reduced

Flour, Best on Record, per bbl, \$4.50
Flour, 1-8 sack, 55c

Granulated Sugar, 20 lbs. for \$1.00
X C Sugar, 21 lbs. for 1.00

3 pound can peaches for 10c	4 cans Veal Loaf for 35c
3 pound can pears, 4 cans for 25c	4 cans Beef Loaf for 35c
Sardines, 6 boxes for 25c	4 cans Ham Loaf for 35c
	4 cans Chicken Loaf for 35c
	Oat Flakes, 12 pounds for 35c
	Corn Meal 16 pounds for 35c
	6 lbs frosting sugar for 35c
	6 cut Loaf Sugar for 35c
	Fancy Table Raisins per pound 12c
	Raisins, seeded, 2 packages for 35c
	Citron, orange or lemon peel per lb, 12c
	Lemons, per doz. 20c
	Prunes, 4 pounds for 25c
	Apricots, per pound 12c
	Peaches, per pound 12c
	Beans, per qt 7c
	Green Peas, per qt 7c
	Split Peas, per pound 4

TONIGHT'S EVENTS

Empire theater—Dangers of New-town.
Boys' New Year's box at Y. M. C. A.
Methodist church—Social of Men's union.
Odd Fellows' hall—Meade's reception.
Teamsters' union elects officers.
Carpenters' union meets.
Woman's Relief corps meets.
Composite chapter, R. A. M., meets.
Mountain lodge, A. O. U. W., meets.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

—The Boot and Shoeworkers union initiated three candidates at its meeting last evening.
—A son was born Sunday morning to Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Memmott of Blackinton street.
—The time of the funeral of Giuseppe Pedarini, whose death was reported yesterday, was changed from today at 10:30 o'clock to tomorrow at the same hour, when it will be held at Notre Dame church.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

William Jerden, manager of Hotel Russell, Springfield, is spending a short time with friends in this city, where he was for many years engaged in hotel work. He has been in Springfield since last September and is very pleasantly situated there.
Frank Stevens of Johnsonville, N. Y., is visiting relatives in the city.
Miss Grace McDougall of Meadow street will return to Smith college tomorrow.
Dr. Joseph W. Malone of Brooklyn, N. Y., was registered at the Richmond last night.
Architect J. McCa. Vance of Pittsfield was in the city yesterday.
Among the guests at the Richmond yesterday was Fred C. Dillon of the Dillon boiler works of Fitchburg.
Mrs. F. C. Harding and son of Lee are the guests of her sister, Mrs. A. A. Willis of Union street.

The Meeting Postponed

The loomfixers postponed their meeting until next week, as the attendance last night was very small.

Auxiliary 3's Party

Auxiliary No. 3, A. O. H. held its regular meeting in Division 4 hall last evening. Only routine business was transacted and after adjournment the ladies spent the time sociably until 10:20, refreshments being served during the evening.

Had a Straw Ride

The Hiawatha whist club was given a straw ride yesterday afternoon by Mrs. Will Kelly to her home in Clarksburg, where whist was played. The prizes were won by Mrs. Al Briggs, Mrs. George Mausert and Mrs. Frank Simmonds. A dainty lunch was served.

Mrs. Phillips' Funeral

The funeral of Mrs. William H. Phillips will be held at the home on Henry avenue, Pittsfield, Thursday at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Mr. Nickerson of St. Stephen's church, of which she was a communicant, will officiate and the burial will be in Pittsfield cemetery.

It Was a Cold Morning

The thermometer at the city hall registered 2½ below zero at 7:35 o'clock this morning, and ordinary thermometers registered from 6 to 10 below in different locations. This temperature with high wind made the morning one of the most tedious of the winter to date.

The New Year's Box

The New Year's box will be enjoyed as usual at the Y. M. C. A. this evening. Into a box provided for the purpose the boys place presents for each other suitably directed, and generally there are some presents given which provoke much merriment. A large attendance is expected.

Third Joint Card Party

The Father Mathew societies of this city and Blackinton will hold their third card party tomorrow evening at the Father Mathew building on Center street, and whist will be played. At the first meeting "45" was played and at the meeting next held the game was euchre. At the fourth and final game of the series "45" will be played again. It is probable that another series will be arranged at the close of this.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Oswald Chandraud
Angelina, wife of Oswald Chandraud, died yesterday afternoon at her home on River street extension, aged 26 years. Her death was caused by consumption, with which she has suffered for six months. Besides her husband she leaves two children. The funeral will be held at Notre Dame church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

David W. Evans

David W. Evans of Blackinton died this morning at his home in that village of pneumonia, after an illness of two weeks' duration. His wife died last Friday of the same disease, as reported in this paper, and was buried Sunday. This is the third member of the family to die of pneumonia within two weeks. Mrs. Evans' sister, Mrs. Melinda Nickerson, having died a week ago.

Mr. Evans was born 75 years ago in Newtown, Wales, and came to this country 40 years ago and settled in Blackinton, where he was employed in the woolen mill for 10 years as an overseer. He then retired from the mill, but continued to live in Blackinton, where he was highly esteemed by all. He was a neighborly and obliging man and was keenly interested in all that pertained to the welfare of the village in which he lived. He was a member of the Baptist church of this city, and a regular attendant of the Union church in Blackinton. The arrangements for the funeral will be announced later.

HARD ON TRAIN CREWS

New York Central Management Brings Out Protests on Local Branch

The New York Central management of the Albany road and its methods, which have aroused protests from employees of the leased road in other places, have at last hit the workmen on the local branch rather hard according to the following which is sent to the Republican by its Springfield correspondent:
The about 15 employees of the New York Central system at the Junction, a majority of them for years with the old Boston and Albany company, are enjoying the novel experience of paying their fares daily to and from work, which cuts quite a hole in their week's pay. Nearly all the men live in Pittsfield, and receive small wages, and are now obliged, under the new order of things, to either walk or pay fares on the Central or electric road. The hours have also been changed so that the men cannot tell from one day to another when they begin work and when they quit.

There is also considerable trouble on the Pittsfield and North Adams branch and the men formerly earning about \$10 weekly on an average, which included extra trips, are receiving at present from \$11 to \$12. Some of the trainmen on that branch have been assigned to mixed runs, and are now obliged to change their clothes four times daily in order to work on passenger and freight trains.

To add to the trouble a double set of engineers, firemen, baggage masters, conductors and brakemen, 12 in all, have replaced local and North Adams men within the past few days, making through runs of 176 miles from New York to North Adams and return the same day. To comply with the demands of the company, some North Adams men will be obliged to move to Pittsfield and vice versa, or take their meals in one city and sleep in the other.

Year's Divorce Record

Clerk of Courts Frank H. Cande has made up his annual report of divorce cases during the year and filed it with the secretary of state. The report is as follows: Cases pending Jan. 1, 1901, 85; cases finally determined in 1901, 58; number of cases filed during the year, 65; cases pending January 1, 1902, 92; number becoming absolute, 28; dismissed, 30. The causes of the divorces were as follows: Desertion 15; intoxication, 7; cruelty, 3; adultery, 3; total, 28. The shortest period of marriage before filing application for divorce was two years and the longest 32 years.

His 100th Birthday

Jarvis B. Bardwell of Shelburne Falls, who is 100 years old today, quietly celebrated the event at his home on Main street. In accordance with a custom started by his daughter, Mrs. F. E. Fairbanks, at his 70th birthday, there was a family party at dinner. Mr. Bardwell received informal calls, but there was no formal demonstration. He is quite well preserved for a man of his years. While his eyesight and hearing are not very good, his mental faculties are keen most of the time, and he takes an intelligent interest in what is going on around him.

Enlisted 206 Soldiers

The past year at the recruiting station in Springfield has been one of activity, and 206 men have been enlisted by the recruiting officer. This number includes men taken from the sub-stations in this city, Pittsfield, Gardner, and Fitchburg. The number enlisted each month was as follows: January 14; February, 24; March, 25; April, 30; May, 19; June, 10; July, 13; August, 15; September, 7; October, 6; November, 7; December, 21.

Advised Letters

The following is the list of letters advertised at the North Adams postoffice today: Nellie Baker, Anna Crenier, Mary Kingsley, Della La Charitie, A. P. Bishop, 2, Darvinia Rendaint, Alestas Charron, Michael Dolan, W. F. Howe, John Henry, S. Hanson, Warren Hall, T. C. Leahy, Nugues Lafountain, Edwin Pelcher, J. N. Veazey, O. E. White and Burbeck & Butt.

Oneco Lodge Officers

Oneco lodge, I. O. O. F., elected officers last night as follows: N. G. Jas. P. Drysdale, V. G. William H. Geddis; secretary, F. E. Card; treasurer, Geo. G. Welton; financial secretary, A. E. Haskins; trustee for three years, F. B. Walker. The officers will be installed Tuesday evening, January 14. In addition to electing officers the lodge worked the third degree on one candidate last night.

Apparatus Here Next Week

The Spalding manufacturing company of Chicopee Falls will have the apparatus for the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium here next week and the work of setting it in position will begin the week following. The boys have not much longer to wait for the opportunity to get their muscle up.

Fellowship Club Meets

The Fellowship club of St. John's met last night in the parish house, and after the usual business proceedings, remained until it was time for the regular watch meeting at the church, which it attended in a body.

His New Year's Gift

William H. Shults, who is employed at the Windsor print works, received a New Year's gift yesterday in the form of a handsome silk umbrella, which was presented by his shopmates as a mark of their esteem.

Special Council Meeting

There will be a special meeting of the city council Friday evening to draw grand jurors for the year and traverse jurors for the January term of the superior court.

THE ALUMNI WON

Drury Team Started Well, But Graduates Struck Their Gait in Second Half

The basketball game at the Mark Hopkins gymnasium last night between the Drury team and the alumni was more one-sided than expected, the graduates putting up a very fast game and winning by a score of 30 to 7. Bartlett started the scoring, and McNine threw the best goal of the game during the first half, which was a close contest, the score being at the end of the half, Alumni 6, Drury 4.

The Alumni struck their gait in the second half and had the under-graduates at their mercy. Wetherbee and Bartlett especially having their eyes on the basket. The line-up and score: Alumni, Drury 30, Drury 7. Goals from field, Bartlett 4, Quinn 2, Tower, Wetherbee 3, McNine, Boland. Goals from foul, Streeter, Referee, Lynch. Umpires, James Wall, Courtland Bartlett, Timekeeper, Charles Gunthier. Time of halves, 20 minutes.

The other game of the evening was between the Drury Juniors and the North Adams Juniors, and the Drury team won by a score of 9 to 6. The game was rather rough, but close and interesting. The North Adams Juniors started out well, but gave out and were passed in the second half. The line up and score:

Drury Jrs. N. Adams Jrs.
Rice, if. King
Loeber, rf. if. King
Tebbetts, c. rf. Roberts
Sperry, lg. c. Siskind
Dennett, rg. rg. Bonnar
Score, Drury Jrs. 9, North Adams Jrs. 6. Goals from field, Rice, Loeber 2, Siskind, Barry, Referee, Lynch. Umpires, James Wall, Courtland Bartlett, Timekeeper, Charles Gunthier. Time of halves, 15 and 20 minutes.

BETTER ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Repairs Will Soon Put an End to the Troublesome Flicker

Within a couple of weeks at the most the gas and electric light company expects to have its new engine, which was installed some four months ago, but which has never run satisfactorily, so equipped that it will do its work, after which no further trouble with the electric lights is anticipated. The engine was left in an unfortunate condition when it was first put in, and for the past months the electric lights have proved quite unsatisfactory. The trouble lay chiefly with the governor of the engine, whose irregular action caused the lights to flicker and made it impossible to keep them at a steady glow. A new governor will be provided within a few days, and the trouble should end. During the few months the company has been called on to replace some 16,000 more lights than is usual for that length of time, the irregular action having burned them out very rapidly.

THEY MADE RESOLUTIONS

For Other People to Keep. A Novel Way of Making New Year's Resolves

The New Year's eve social of the Young People's union of the Baptist church last evening brought out a large attendance, about 70 young people being present. Among the features of the evening was the reading of poems on New Year's, which each one was requested to write.
Then each one was called upon to write out three New Year's resolutions. This done the papers were collected, put in a box and each person drew a slip. All are expected to keep the resolutions that fell to their lot.
The social was followed by the devotional service and watch party, which began at 10 o'clock. Addresses were made by Rev. Dwight Spencer and the pastor, poems were read and there were other appropriate exercises.

ATTACHMENTS FOR \$7000

Bresnehan and Phillips Are In Financial Difficulties

Bresnehan & Phillips, makers of doors, sash and blinds and workers in wood, who occupied part of the Watson & Hopkins building on Chestnut street, are in financial difficulties. Sheriff John Parker placed attachments last night amounting to \$7,000.

The attachments were by the following parties: Silas Mason estate \$3,000; Henry Eugene of Manchester, N. H., \$2,000; George Bruce \$2,000.

Mr. Bresnehan said this morning that his firm is still doing business and hopes to continue to do so. He says the trouble was caused by losses on contracts caused by a rise in all sorts of materials and in the price of labor. Lawyer John H. Mack has charge of the firm's case, and hopes to be able to adjust the difficulties.

THOMPSON IS BETTER

Some Hope Now That He Will Recover Febreault's Condition

Charles Thompson, the engineer who was so terribly scalded Monday night, is doing as well as could be expected. His condition has slightly improved since yesterday and there is some hope of his recovery. Cyril Febreault of Adams, who underwent an important operation at the hospital yesterday, is also doing nicely.

A CAUTION

We the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of **GRAND'S WARRANTED SYRUP** if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.
Burlingame & Darby, G. A. Hastings
John H. C. Pratt, P. J. Malone
Bank Street Drug store, C. M. Farley
Wilson House Pharmacy, T. C. Farley
E. C. Blossom, Wallace Keen
J. A. Rice, C. G. Bartlett
J. Wells Thompson, Riley & Co.

NOT A BOARD JUMPER

When the Sad Truth Came Out Judge Phelps Reconsidered the Sentence

Charles Moore, who was sentenced to 30 days yesterday in the local court on the charge of being a boarding house fraud was discovered not to be a fraud later in the day. The chief, believing him to be a hardened customer, recommended the jail sentence. After court however, the chief had a conversation with the prisoner in the police station, and through the intercession of Chief Dinnene Judge Phelps reconsidered the sentence and continued his case.

During his trial Moore would say nothing in his own behalf, and much to the chief's surprise, Moore broke down and told a very pitiful story. He is a young fellow, 23 years old, and came here a short time ago with his young wife and little baby to settle down. They had not been here long when the wife was taken sick and after a short illness, died at the hospital. The baby did not survive her long. Moore's little stock of money went to pay the doctor's bill and funeral expenses, and almost penniless he left the city the day before Christmas to see his mother in Springfield. He returned only to find a warrant for his arrest awaiting him, Miss Nellie Ringwood, his boarding mistress, being the complainant.

When Miss Ringwood was acquainted with the real circumstances yesterday she called at the police station and did all in her power to have the young man released.

FIRE LOSS \$18,000

Chief Byars Makes His Annual Report. His Recommendations

Chief Byars of the fire department has completed his sixth annual report. Much space is given to the details of the property and organization of the department.

There have been 60 fire alarms during the year. The value of the property endangered was \$204,990, and the damage was \$18,402.36. The aggregate insurance was \$167,650.

The chief recommends a considerable increase in the supply of hose, the purchase of a truck with reel ladder and the removal of all overhead wires from the principal streets.

THROWN FROM TOBOGGAN

New York Guest of the Sloanes Badly Injured at Lenox Today

Raymond Noyes, a New Yorker who has been spending the holidays in Lenox as a guest at the home of John Sloane, was thrown or fell from a toboggan while coasting in that town this forenoon and so badly injured that he was unconscious three hours.

The doctors were unable to say this forenoon whether there is a chance for his recovery.

THE PERFECT WAY

Scores of No. Adams Citizens Have Learned It

If you suffer from backache
There is only one way to cure it
The perfect way is to cure the kidneys.

A bad back means sick kidneys. Neglect it, urinary troubles follow. Doan's Kidney Pills are made for kidneys only.

Are endorsed by North Adams people
Mr. A. Hodsokin of 19 Brooklyn street says: "For a great many years I had a pain running up the sides of my back and into my head and a steady aching in my back. I tried many kinds of simple remedies and doctored for it more or less. At times some benefit occurred but I never received so much help from anything as Doan's Kidney Pills which I procured at Burlingame & Darby's drug store. I did not use the whole box yet the aching and urinary trouble disappeared. It is too much to expect a radical cure in an old case like mine, but I have no hesitation in advising others to use Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no substitute.

BORN

In this city, Dec. 24, Maude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, aged 4 years.

In this city, Dec. 25, Homer E., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown. At Clarksburg, Dec. 28, Karl W., son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Bardwell, aged 9 years, 3 months and 25 days.

In this city, Dec. 31, Giuseppe Pedarini, aged 35 years.

In this city, Dec. 27, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rougeau.

In this city, Dec. 29, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bastien.

In this city, Dec. 28, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. M. Arnault.

In this city, Dec. 30, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Hodges.

In this city, Dec. 22, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Rogers.

In this city, Dec. 21, a son to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Blair.

In this city, Dec. 27, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rouger.

In this city, Dec. 26, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Gay.

MARRIED

In this city, Dec. 29, by Rev. C. E. Purke, Neil McLaughlin and Miss Deborah Bowes.

In this city, Dec. 30, by Rev. Fr. Jacques, Arthur Beaudin and Miss Hul dah Maynard.

In this city, Dec. 30, by Rev. Fr. C. H. Jeannotte, Eugene Laplant of Wil- lamstown and Miss Josephine Bournay of this city.

In this city, Dec. 31, by Rev. Fr. Delpe, Joseph Choinard and Miss Ar- themise Stringer.

DIED

In this city, Dec. 27, Manturin, wife of Calli Moran, aged 23 years.

In this city, Dec. 30, Bridget, wife of Martin Naughton, aged 50 years.

THE USUAL PRESENT CAME

Mrs. Lawrence Remembered the Beneficiary of Col. Bracewell, Her Father

The late Colonel John Bracewell had been in the habit for some years of making David Benack, an inmate of the city farm, a Christmas present of \$5 every year. As last Christmas approached David thought of this with sadness, for his benefactor was gone and he expected the glad anniversary to come and go with no one to think of him in particular. He often spoke of having lost his best friend, with a shake of the head which denoted that he felt that Christmas in the future would have little cheer for him. He was therefore greatly surprised and almost overjoyed when he received the \$5 as usual, which was sent to him by Colonel Bracewell's daughter, Mrs. George P. Lawrence, who had learned of the situation and did not propose to have the old man's Christmas saddened by the lack of his accustomed remembrance. It was a kind and thoughtful act on the part of Mrs. Lawrence and if any one doubts that it was appreciated a short conversation with Mr. Benack will convince him of his error.

AT THE RESCUE MISSION

Salvation Army Joined in the New Year's Eve Service Last Night

The services at the Rescue mission last night were largely attended and proved the most interesting in the special series being held there this week. The devotional meeting was led by Herbert Hunt and lasted until 10 o'clock. Sandwiches and hot coffee were then served and a social hour enjoyed until 11, when the services were resumed and continued until after midnight. Mr. Hunt and Mr. Rogers leading. The Salvation army joined in the services the latter part of the evening and several who dropped in came forward to request prayers. When the midnight hour sounded there were 48 people present on their knees in prayer. Mrs. Greeley believes the week's meetings are to result in the reformation and saving of many. She is encouraged by the fact that many young people are attending the meetings.

PICKINGS FROM FICTION.

Love and a cough cannot be hidden.—"The Eternal City."

To some temperaments a danger sign is an irresistible lure.—"The Strength of Hills."

Marriage is not the end of love, but is the true end of a love story.—"Ros- lynde's Lovers."

Uncertainty is the only certain element in the life of a man whose brain is a petrifaction.—"Elder Boise."

We are all puppets of our Lady Van- ity, who pulls the strings and leads us many a dance.—"Our Lady Vanity."

The wider your understanding and the greater your charity the more patient you will live and live live.—"The V. Dwellers."

Is it well to return and test the mate- als of the bridge which has just car- ried over the flood in safety?—"St. Stands Alone."

There is something that is much more scarce, something finer far, something rarer, than ability. It is the ability to recognize ability.—"The Philistine."

All workers like to be bothered a little. It is a wise woman who does not bother them too much. The attention is flatter- ing as long as it is not annoying.—"The Westerners."

The heart of a man is always ready to admit a ray of sunshine, and it takes a small one, after all, to dispel the shad- ows when love dwells therein.—"The Portion of Labor."

It's just the worst part of ordinary life that one is fettered with a ready made identity, often a horrible misfit, in the choosing of which one has no voice at all.—"The Seal of Silence."

The Braver Sex.

"I am afraid," said a certain small- ber's mother. "that you are over-acting. Aren't you a little apprehensive?"

"No," was the answer after due deliberation. "I'm not afraid. You know ladies are naturally timid."—Washington Star.

Apprehensive.

Jack—You seem afraid to pop the ques- tion.

Billy—No. I'm afraid to question "pop."

Balance of Furs at Sacrifice.

A great many ladies don't buy Furs until now, and perhaps they show a policy as our prices prove. Fur Scarfs, Boas and Muffs all reduced in price. LISTEN.

25 fur scarfs, were \$6.50 to \$7.50, now only \$4.98.

Others at \$.98 and \$2.98 if you wish.

Muffs to go like this.

\$5 Opossum Muffs, \$4

\$10 Coon Muffs, \$7.50

\$12.50 Marten Muffs, \$10

These are all Bargains.

Electric Seal Coats, only two left, 1—34 and 1—36, were \$25, closing price \$15.

Only four Electric Seal Capes left, to go at a part of former price.

Special prices also on all our better grades of scarfs.

We are positive that an inspection of these values will make you a purchaser. Try to see them.

A Great Suit Special for Wednesday

25 Ladies' Fine Tailored Suits, each one of good style and were \$10.00 to \$20.00, all to go now at \$7.50.

They are fine for any purpose and even the cloth in them is worth what we now ask. You can see them in the window as you pass.

Wednesday is New Years Day

And as usual we will give a souvenir with every purchase of \$1.00 or over.

Best Values in Town Always at

Tuttle & Bryant's

Metal and Decorated Lamps At Decisively Reduced Prices.

One quarter to one half less than actual values, showing a saving in cash on every purchase of from 50c to \$5.

Decorated Globes and Domes

Also to be included in this sale.

See Our Show Window.

J. B. SPRUILL,

—Importer and Retailer—

Hosack Savings Bank Block, 97 Main Street. Tel. 228-3

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GIFTS

WILLIAMSTOWN

SLAPPED A BOY.

The Act Cost Him \$5. Brother Called An Officer Bad Names.

Howard Hatch of Coleridge slapped Francis Fallon, young son of John Fallon, Monday night because the boy waved his hands in front of a kicking horse belonging to Hatch, and yesterday Judge Tenney fined Hatch \$5 because he slapped the boy. The boy had a big black bunch near his left eye where the slap landed, but it looked more like the work of a regular old-time straight-from-the-shoulder blow of the John L. Sullivan type. Hatch claimed justification for the blow, saying that the boy struck his horse, which Hatch left in the road while he assisted a brother in reloading a bureau, which persisted in staying anywhere but on a load of furniture where it belonged, but Judge Tenney ruled that even that was not sufficient cause for striking the lad.

Cornelius Hatch appeared as a witness for his brother and incidentally had a little trouble all on his own account. He went to the home of Deputy Sheriff Richards to have the officer give his brother some supper, but the officer had retired and refused to get up as the hour was about eleven. The officer swore that Hatch thereupon proceeded to call him names that would provoke the wrath of even a saint, but Hatch said it was not so. Judge Tenney was rather inclined to believe the officer, however, but said he would impose no fine on Hatch. He added as a bit of advice that the next time the defendant had occasion to address an officer he be a trifle more careful in his choice of words.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

Baptist Church Has Its Annual Observance in Mission Hall. Tree Prettily Decorated.

The Christmas tree and entertainment of the Baptist mission in mission hall Tuesday evening crowded the hall many who belonged to other churches going to hear the Christmas program which was rendered by the children of the Sunday school. Mrs. E. B. Roberts had charge of the training of the children and William Spencer of the music and a very entertaining program was given.

The tree occupied the front of the hall and was very pretty. Children distributed the gifts, which were given to every member of the Sunday school. William Davis read the names of the recipients and Edward Davis and Oliver Swann carried the presents to the owners.

A DANGEROUS PRACTICE.

Considerable annoyance is caused the electric railroad and the safety of the people is endangered by the practice of placing railroad torpedoes on the electric car tracks at the station. The offenders are supposed to be boys, who find the torpedoes along the railroad track, where they fall from the rails. The torpedoes have a covering of tin and when exploded the pieces fly in many directions. Very often these pieces strike buildings, fences or some thing else along the railroad track and leave their marks. Should one of them strike a person, which is probable when so many people are so near, serious injury would be inflicted. The torpedoes are sometimes thrown along the tracks for several rods, as many as a half-dozen very often being exploded at once.

COLUMBIA EXPECTS TO WIN.

Columbia will meet Williams in a dual track meet at the Twenty-second regiment armory, New York, Feb. 22. There will be the regulation contests and probably a relay race in addition. Columbia was the first of these annual meets last year by a score of 70 to 66, and with the same team expects to repeat the trick this season. Williams' best man, Paul Potter, has been graduated and will be sorely missed. A new man, Watson, in the sprints, Soule in the pole vault and Blackmar in the high jumps and hurdles are accounted Williams' point winners, while Columbia expects to win through superiority in middle and long distance runs.

WATCH PRAYER MEETING

A watch prayer meeting was held in St. John's church Tuesday night. It began at 11:30 and lasted until after the opening of the new year. The meeting opened with a prayer, after which Rev. J. Franklin Carter made a short address. The new year was welcomed and immediately after midnight a corn union service was held. The meeting was well attended for a meeting held so late. Other watch meetings were held, including one in the White Oaks chapel.

WHIST PARTY OF W. R. C.

The Woman's relief corps gave a whist party in Grand Army hall Tuesday evening and the party watched the old year out and the new year in. There were several tables and prizes were awarded. Refreshments were served during the evening. The party was preceded by a business meeting of the corps.

Herbert Ranshousen has returned to Springfield after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Ranshousen.

Dr. and Mrs. C. D. Tefft have returned from a visit with their parents in Utica, N. Y.

The mill of the Williamstown manufacturing company is closed today on account of New Year's.

The heavy wind last night blew out most of the gas lights and parts of the town were in total darkness.

A dance was given at the boarding house on the Station factory ground last night.

A daughter was born yesterday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Lester of Water street.

G. L. Graves, a car inspector in the railroad yard, is spending a few days with his parents in Greenfield.

Mr. and Mrs. William Chesbro have returned from a visit in Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lindley and daughter of New York are visiting relatives in town.

The heavy wind last night blew down the gates at the railroad crossing at the depot and broke the apparatus beneath the track. The gates were

rendered useless and the flagman simply stood at the crossing with a lantern.

Prof. and Mrs. Carroll Marcy are visiting their parents in Troy, N. Y. R. G. Hayner of Penfield, N. Y., is spending a few days in town.

HAS A THIRST FOR BLOOD.

Instances of the Ferociousness of the Common Weasel.

The weasel is the boldest and most bloodthirsty of our small animals; indeed, none of our larger beasts is more so, says John Burroughs. There is something devilish and uncanny about it. It persists like fate; it eludes, but it cannot be eluded. The terror it inspires in the smaller creatures—rats, rabbits, chipmunks—is pitiful to behold. A rat pursued by a weasel has been known to rush into a room, utter dismal cries and seek the protection of a man in bed.

A woman in northern Vermont discovered that something was killing her hens, often on the nest. She watched for the culprit and at last caught a weasel in the act. It had seized the hen and refused to let go when she tried to scare it away. Then the woman laid hold of it and tried choking it, when the weasel released its hold upon the hen and fastened its teeth into her hand between the thumb and forefinger. She could not choke it off and ran to a neighbor for help, but no one could remove it without tearing the flesh from the woman's hand. Then some one suggested a pail of water. Into this the hand and weasel were plunged, but the creature would not let go even then and did not until it was drowned.

A farmer one day heard a queer growling sound on the grass. On approaching he saw two weasels contending over a mouse. Both had the mouse, pulling in opposite directions, and they were so absorbed in the struggle that the farmer cautiously put his hands down and grabbed them both by the backs of their necks. He put them in a cage and offered them bread and other food. This they refused to eat, but in a few days one of them had eaten the other up, picking his bones clean and leaving nothing but the skeleton.

The same farmer was one day in his cellar when two rats came out of a hole near him in great haste and ran up the cellar wall and along its top until they came to a floor timber that stopped their progress, when they turned at bay and looked excitedly back along the course they had come. In a moment a weasel, evidently in hot pursuit of them, came out of the hole, but seeing the farmer check his course and dashed back. The rats had doubtless turned to give him fight and would probably have been a match for him.—Chicago Chronicle.

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W. G. Toward of Colgate college will preach in the Baptist church at Sweet's Corners and the Baptist mission Sunday. Mr. Toward is studying for the ministry.

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Architects

LaPOINTE & BOND—Architects and Engineers, New York office, 1135 Broadway, North Adams office, 75 Main street.

Carriage Manufacturers

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Civil Engineers

H. P. LINNELL—Civil Engineer and Surveyor. Surveys, Plans, Estimator and Development of Property, Etc. Room 4, Kimball Block, Main street, North Adams.

Dentists

J. J. F. McLAUGHLIN, D. D. S.—Dental parlors, Collins Block, Main street. Crown and bridge work a specialty. Office hours: 9 to 12 m., 2 to 6 p. m., and 7 to 8:15 p. m.

Employment Agency

Help of all kinds, male and female, to do all kinds of work. Help of every description constantly on hand. No. 4 Galswick Block, up stairs, G. H. Stevens & Co., proprietors. North Adams Employment Bureau.

Hair Dressers

WELLINGTON BARBER SHOP—C. L. Slade, proprietor. Six chairs, no waiting, large electric fan. Wellington Hotel Block, State street.

Insurance Agents

C. E. CHILDS—Agent Equitable Life Assurance company of New York. 605 Rice, North Adams Savings Bank Block, Main street.

Livery

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Restaurants

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Accounts and Collections Solicited

THE CITY OF NORTH ADAMS

LOCATION—Northern part of Berkshire county, Mass. 143 miles west of Boston. 196 miles north of New York.

AREA—Boundaries running north and south 3 1/2 miles, east and west, about five miles.

POPULATION—24,200, census of 1900.

RAILROADS—First station west of Hoosac tunnel on Fitchburg division of Boston & Maine; northern terminus of Pittsfield and North Adams branch of Boston & Albany.

STREET RAILWAY—Hoosac Valley street railway, running to Adams on south, and Williamstown on west.

CHIEF INDUSTRIES—Print cloth, cotton cloth, woolen goods, shoes, machinery.

Two national banks, two savings banks, co-operative bank.

Town of Adams incorporated, 1778.

Adams and North Adams separated, 1878.

City of North Adams incorporated, 1895.

North Adams Officials.

Mayor—E. S. Wilkinson.

Clerk—C. S. Brooker.

Treasurer—J. W. Hardenbergh.

Solicitor—P. J. Ashe.

Auditor—Austin Bond.

Commissioner of Public Works—J. L. Temple.

Engineer—J. H. Emigh.

Book-keeper—Peter Keefe.

Superintendent outdoor work—C. H. Berry.

Superintendent water works—W. F. Hodge.

Almoner—W. H. Ingraham.

Physician—H. J. Millard.

Inspector of plumbing—Frank P. Nugent.

Inspector of meat—Henry A. Tower.

Inspector of milk and vinegar and scaler of weights and measures—A. G. Nichols.

Assessors—C. G. Bartlett, J. R. Ford, M. R. Bowes.

Board of Health—Dr. T. J. Putnam, C. P. Niles, J. A. Willis, A. Q. Irwin, agent.

Licensed Commissioners—C. E. Winchell, Dr. George L. Rice.

School committee—Dr. M. M. Brown, D. A. Anderson, O. A. Archer, C. J. Parkhurst, J. R. Chippendale, J. H. Whitney.

Chief of Police—W. F. Dinneen.

Chief of Fire Department—W. V. Byars.

North Adams Churches.

CONGREGATIONAL—Corner Main and Church streets; Rev. W. L. Tenney, pastor, residence 123 Church street.

Sunday service: Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Normal class Tuesday evening. Christian Endeavor society Sunday evening at 6:30.

METHODIST—Church street; Rev. J. A. Hamilton, pastor, residence 46 Church street.

Sunday services: Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.; classes morning and evening. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Epworth League Tuesday evening. Sunday school at noon.

BAPTIST—Main, North Church and Eagle streets; Rev. J. H. Spencer, pastor, residence 130 Church street.

Sunday services: Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12 m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. Baptist Young People's union Tuesday evening.

UNIVERSALIST—Summer street; Rev. A. E. Wright, pastor, residence 181 Church street.

Sunday services: Preaching services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday school at 12 m. Young People's C. U. at 6:30. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL—Summer residence 45 Summer street, Assistant Minister, Rev. A. L. Whitaker, residence 117 W. Main street.

Sunday services: Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7 p. m.; holy communion, 11 a. m. first Sunday of month and 7:30 a. m. other Sundays; Sunday school, 10 a. m. Prayer days, Sunday school, 10 a. m. Weekly service Friday 7:30 p. m.

ST. FRANCIS ROMAN CATHOLIC—Eagle street, opposite center; Rev. C. E. Burke, rector, residence 75 Eagle street.

Sunday services: Masses at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 a. m.; vespers at 4 p. m.

NOTRE DAME ROMAN CATHOLIC—East Main street, near Pleasant; Rev. C. H. Jeannette, rector, residence 238 East Main street.

Sunday services: Masses at 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30 a. m.; vespers at 4 p. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE—Chestnut street, near Ashland; Walter D. McDonald, first reader.

Sunday services at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Testimonial meeting Wednesday evening 7:45. Reading room open daily 2 to 5 p. m.; Tuesday and Friday, 7 to 9 p. m.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN—Services in Grand Army hall, Holden street.

L. D. Burro, pastor; residence 51 Franklin street. Sunday services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Place of prayer meeting announced each Sunday.

Y. M. C. A.—Corner Summer and Morris streets; W. R. Hale, secretary. Open daily from 8 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. Sunday meeting at 4 p. m.

North Adams Schools.

I. Freeman Hall, Superintendent.

Drury high school, East Main street, H. H. Gadsby, principal.

Drury grammar school, East Main street, nine grades, Miss J. Marion Woodward, principal.

Mark Hopkins school, Church street, nine grades, Mrs. M. E. Couch, principal.

Miner school, Union street, seven grades, Mrs. Emma E. Billings, principal.

Freeman school, North Eagle street, nine grades, Miss Lily E. Blanchard, principal.

Houghton school, Union street, six grades, Rose G. Sherry principal.

Johnson school, School street, seven grades, Miss Mary A. Hathaway, principal.

Brayton school, State road eight grades, Miss Eva I. Haskins, principal.

State Street school, Francis and Hooker streets, five grades, Miss Sarah T. Haskins, principal.

Vezzie school, Vezzie street, two grades, Alice C. Bulky, principal.

Blackinton school, Blackinton, nine grades, Mortimer W. Thomas, principal.

Greylock school, Greylock, four grades.

East Mountain school, ungraded.

Walden school, ungraded.

State Normal School.

Established at North Adams in June, 1894. First class received in February, 1897. School buildings on Church street.

Main building, 152 feet by 84 feet, three stories and basement. Tuition free to all who declare their intention to teach in the public schools of Massachusetts, one of three years and one of two years. Candidates for admission to any one of the normal schools must have attained the age of 18 years complete, if young men, and 16 years, if young women; and must be free from any disease or infirmity which would unfit them for the office of teacher. They must (1) present certificates of good moral standing, (2) give evidence of good intellectual capacity (records of their scholarship standing in the high schools are desired), and (3) be graduates of high schools whose courses of study have been approved by the board of education; or (4) they must have received, to the satisfaction of the principals and the board of visitors of the school, the equivalent of a good high school education. Successful experience in teaching is allowed to be taken into account in the determination of equivalents. Principal of school, Frank F. Murdock.

North Adams Library.

Located in Houghton Memorial building, opened October, 1898.

Contains about 17,000 books.

Reading rooms contain about 50 periodicals and 10 daily papers.

Hours 10 a. m. to 8 p. m. Reading room open until 9 p. m. on week days, and Sundays except between July 15 and September 15, from 2 to 5 p. m.

All over 14 years of age may draw two books on card only one being a work of fiction.

Library building contains rooms of North Massachusetts Historical society open Saturday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock. Miss Mabel Temple, librarian.

North Adams Hospitals.

Located in brick building erected 1888, on North Eagle street. Accommodates 50 patients, with 11 private rooms. A private institution conducted for the benefit of the public. Management vested in a board of control of 25 members. Mrs. C. H. Williams, president. Staff of 14 physicians with house physician. Training school for nurses, with nurses' home built in 1900, accommodating 16. Superintendent, Miss Margaret E. Stanley; assistant superintendent, Mrs. L. Jeanette Copeland; house physician, Dr. Lyman A. Jones. Accident and emergency cases may be taken directly to the hospital. Applications for admission in other cases may be made to any of the following: Mrs. F. E. Curtis, 25 Quincy street; Mrs. William O'Brien, 418 Church street; Mrs. F. P. Pearson, 88 Church street; Mrs. O. A. Archer, Blackinton; Miss Frances Owens, 25 East Quincy street.

North Adams Hotels.

The Wellington, State street, \$2.50 to \$4 a day.

The Wilson, Main and Holden streets, \$2 a day up.

The Darrow, Bank and Summer streets, \$2 a day.

The New Richmond, Main and State streets, \$2.50 and up.

The Mansion, State street, \$2 a day.

The Windsor, State street, \$1.50 a day.

Arrival and Departure of Mails

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RUBY LAMPS—Double glass, regular price 75c and \$1, now 58c and 68c.

TRIPDS—Regular price 50c, 75c and \$2.25, now 25c, 55c and \$1.75.

DOUBLE ROLLERS—12-inch, reduced from 50c to 38c; 6-inch, from 30c to 28c, and from 25c to 18c.

PRINTING FRAMES—5x7, reduced from 25c to 18c, and 4x5 from 18c to 13c.

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THE CAUSE OF BALDNESS.

As a Rule the Hair should Last as Long as the Man.

The hair of the head was evidently intended by nature as a protection to the delicate brain substance, and it would not doubt answer this purpose admirably if it were given the opportunity, as we see it pervades so in the case of savages and others who need such protection little.

It is generally supposed that baldness, like gray hair, is a necessary accompaniment of advancing age, but this is only because the older a man is the more time he has had to neglect and abuse his hair, and so the more likely he is to have lost it.

Some men are more prone to baldness than others because of thinness of the scalp, which interferes with the proper blood supply to the hair roots. This is often a family failing, but in such cases baldness might be prevented or postponed for many years by care. In a few instances the hair falls out as a result of some special disease, but for the great majority of men there is absolutely no reason why, if properly treated, the hair should not last as long as the man.

The chief cause of baldness is pressure by the hat, which constricts the blood vessels and so interferes with the nutrition of the hair bulbs. It is probable, also, that the shutting off of light and air by the hat helps the mischief. An unhealthy condition of the scalp results, the sign of which is a plentiful amount of dandruff.

There are many facts which go to prove the truth of this opinion. In the first place, women rarely become bald. They wear hats, it is true, but their hats are not air tight casings, nor do they make pressure round the head like a man's hat. Then baldness is almost unknown among savages, who wear no hats, and is comparatively uncommon with men in the tropics, where very light hats are worn.

Laborers are less prone to baldness than professional and business men. This has led to the belief that brain work favors baldness by withdrawing blood from the scalp, but this is only self flattery on the part of those who advance the theory. Laborers generally wear soft felt hats or caps, which are apt to be pushed to the back of the head, so that the scalp gets plenty of light and air.

As further proof, we find that the bald men usually have sufficient hair at the back and on the sides of the head below the hat line.

The inference is plain—wear a soft hat or none at all. If custom forbids this, then the best a city man can do is to wear his hat as little as possible and never to keep it on in the house or office.

—Youth's Companion.

Giving Her a Chance.

A Cheap Jack Leads brought his cart to a standstill in Lady Lane. An old woman looked with longing eyes at the pile of bones and gristle which the butcher loathingly referred to as "joints" and "steaks," but was evidently very poor indeed, for she hesitated to pay threepence for a scaleful of "selected bits."

"Here, 'ave 'em at tuppence," growled the butcher.

"It's too much," said the woman.

"I've 'em at a penny!"

Still the woman hesitated.

There was a look of pity mixed with disgust on his face as he murmured pathetically:

"Still too much? 'Ere, 'ave it, I'll turn my back while you sneak 'em!"

—London Answers.

Chinese Wit.

A doctor who had mismanaged a case was seized by the family and tied up. In the night he managed to free himself and escaped by swimming across a river. When he got home, he found his son, who had just begun to study medicine, and said to him: "Don't be in a hurry with your books. The first and most important thing is to learn to swim."—Giles' "History of Chinese Literature."

ADAMS

LAST NIGHT'S DANCES

Were All Largely Attended And Provided Very Delightful Social Events.

All the dances held in town last night were well attended and the different organizations, under whose auspices they were held, feel pleased with the success attained. The clerks' association held a first annual social and dance in the St. Jean Baptist hall and as a beginning, it was thoroughly pleasing. The members made special efforts and their guests spent a delightful time.

The Rose and Thistle club's concert and dance was somewhat handicapped by a number of its members having to work today, and therefore were obliged to retire early in the evening. However the concert was well rendered and there were many who stayed until nearly dawn.

The German ladies lodge held a successful dance in Hermann hall, where an old fashioned evening took place. The old year was given a glad farewell and the New Year a gladder welcome.

THE SMOKE TALK

For Alert Hose Company Will Be Held At Next Meeting.

The committee appointed at a recent meeting of the Alert Hose company, met last night and decided to hold a smoke talk for the members and their friends, in the hose rooms, next Tuesday evening. It will be the regular monthly meeting of the company and will follow the regular business. The recently elected officers will also be installed. A program consisting of vocal and instrumental selections will be given, speeches will be made, and one of the old fashioned smokers of the company will result.

LOOMFIXERS BANQUET.

The loomfixers union celebrated the going out of the old year with a banquet at the Adams house last night, and there were about 40 members present. A turkey supper, which was fine in every particular, was served by the landlady, Mrs. William Hodecker, and after it had been thoroughly enjoyed the party adjourned to the smoking room of the hotel where there was an informal program of vocal and instrumental music. P. Maroney acting as toastmaster, W. F. Carlow and D. Mimmo gave a number of organ and violin duets; John McLaren gave several recitations, and songs were given by Joseph Powers, John Livesey, Charles Fountain, Mr. Carlow and William Crabtree. As the midnight hour chimed Mr. Livesey sang the English ballad, "Ringing the old year out." The affair lasted until nearly 2 o'clock.

L. C. B. A. WHIST PARTY.

The whist party of the L. C. B. A. Tuesday evening was one of the pleasantest New Year's eve social gatherings; it was unusually well attended and after the card playing there was a social with dancing. Whist prizes were awarded as follows: Frank Hannon, fancy clock; Mrs. J. R. O'Brien, silk umbrella; Miss Rose Bove, book of poems; John Savage, china dish; F. O'Connor and Miss Ella Grace received the consolation prizes.

NEW WHIST CLUB MEETS.

A new whist club has been formed called the C. E. and S. It held its first meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wells Thompson last evening. Twelve tables were played, and Mrs. A. J. Hurd won the first ladies' prize and Dr. A. J. Bond the gentlemen's prize. The next meeting will be held in two weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Shaw.

ANNUAL DIVIDEND DECLARED.

The annual meeting of the directors of the Greylock national bank was held yesterday afternoon in the bank parlor. The annual dividend of five per cent was declared. The annual meeting of the bank will be held January 14.

Arthur Gosselin and Miss Ovida Gravel were married at Notre Dame church Monday morning. They were attended by Alphonse Gosselin and Miss Mary L. Gravel.

Miss Katherine Daniels is the guest of friends in Hudson, N. Y. The Bennett-Moulton repertoire company is playing a week's engagement at the Empire theater in North Adams.

The out-of-town teachers have arrived to be ready for the opening of school tomorrow morning.

Bernard Fox of Arlington, N. J., is the guest of relatives in Renfrew.

Joseph Fixer has taken a position in the Adams house as bartender, to succeed William Sanderson, resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hynes of New York city were guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Boom.

Confessions for the regular monthly devotion of the League of the Sacred Heart will be held at St. Thomas church tomorrow.

W. P. Douglas has taken the management of the Folly theater.

Mrs. C. F. Smith and son, Karl, have returned from a visit in Falmouth.

The regular meeting of the Odd Fellows will be held this evening.

A meeting of Company M's banquet committee will be held this evening.



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Thomas Murphy has returned to Arlington, N. J.

The regular meeting of the Thursday afternoon club will be held tomorrow.

LOST—An enameled watch on a gold fob. The finder will please return to A. J. Hurd's jewelry store for reward.

LOST OR STRAYED—A black and white hound dog about three years old. Received Saturday night and lost Sunday morning. A reward if returned to Leander Parrott 123 Commercial street Adams, Mass.

COULDN'T BEAT HIM.

The Chips Were Only Beans, but One Chap Corralled All of Them.

"Acquiring wealth is a trade to which some men are born, and they couldn't be anything else if they tried," said the thoughtful man as he contemplated his cigar. "Now, there is—well, I will call him Jones, not caring to mention his name. He is a well known man of business in this city, wealthy and with a reputation of turning everything he touches into gold. I am not a big fish in the financial puddle, but chance threw Jones and me together on a proposition in northern Michigan, and we went up there to look the matter over."

"There were four of us together one night in a little cabin in the woods, and time resting heavily on our hands, some one proposed a game of poker. None of us was in the habit of risking much money on that subtle game. Indeed there was not enough ready money in the whole party to make a decent table stake, so to pass the time we began playing, using beans to make our bets with."

"Now, poker with nothing to bet except beans is not wildly exciting, and I was very much amused to see the way Jones played his hands. The rest of us made a joke of the matter, plunging and bluffing with the knowledge that we had only to dip our hands into a sack of beans near by when we needed more funds, laughing and telling funny stories the meanwhile and having a good time generally. But not so Jones. To him, apparently, it was a serious matter. Not once did he permit himself to smile. Seldom did he lift his eyes from his cards, playing his game as if thousands of dollars were at stake instead of beans. He meant to have every bean before he got through, and he did, too, for when the game ended all the beans in camp had been transferred to his pile."

"I came away without going into the deal with Jones, although it promised well. I was afraid I didn't understand the game, and I hardly cared to take the chances of seeing the few beans I have gathered together by many years of hard work go into the pile that he already possesses."—Detroit Free Press.

HORSES NOT AS HARDY AS MEN.

During War These Animals Succumb to Hunger and Fatigue.

There have been many instances in which fights have been lost or won according to the number and condition of the horses engaged. When the siege of Plevna commenced, the Russians were bringing all their stores and food from Simova by the aid of 60,000 draft horses, and at the end of the siege it was found that no less than 22,000 of them had died from hard work and exhaustion. The want of rest and food tells on a horse far more than on a man, for in the case of the latter there are stimulating influences of patriotism, the glory of victory and other feelings which are not existent in the nature of a horse. Quite half the horses in England sent to the Crimea never returned, most of them having died from hard work and starvation. Indeed, only about 500 were killed in action.

So reduced and starved have the poor beasts become on occasions of this kind that they have been known to eat one another's tails and to gnaw the wheels of the gun carriages. Napoleon took with him across the Nieman 60,000 cavalry horses, and on his return in six months he could only muster 16,000. More than half the horses which were engaged in our Egyptian war of 1882 were disabled. Six hundred of these were killed and the other three-fifths slain in action. In the Afghan war of 1838 it is said that 8,000 of them died and half the horses engaged were lost in three months.

It will thus be seen that actual fighting does not claim so many horses as starvation or overwork. Defective shoeing, sore backs, want of food and rest and other similar causes go far toward rendering horses useless for practical warfare. One more and important cause needs careful attention, and it is the danger of injury horses run when being shipped across the sea. They are in constant motion. They continually fall many of them to be trampled to death and the rest become frightened, kick and batter one another about and are rendered useless. As an instance of this, I was found that one regiment on the way to the Peninsular war was deprived of just half of its horses on the voyage.—London Golden Penny.

THE DUST IN THE AIR

ITS FUNCTION IN THE MECHANISM OF A SUNSET.

Color Effects of the Microscopic Particles That Impregnate the Atmosphere—The Hue of the Sun and the Earth's Blanket.

Most people if they were asked to state the color of the sun would say that it was orange, and they would as coincidentally assert that the color of the atmosphere was blue. Recent researches and investigations, however, point to the conclusion that the real color of the sun is blue, while that of the atmosphere surrounding the earth is orange. Commonly the earth's atmosphere appears so transparent and transparent that it is hard to realize that it has as much effect on the light and heat coming from the sun as if it were a roof of thick glass. But the atmosphere is very far from being as colorless as it seems to be, and the best way of discovering its true tint is not to gaze immediately overhead, but to look away toward the horizon. By so doing the atmosphere will be seen, as it were, in bulk, for overhead there is only a small accumulation of it compared with the many miles of thickness through which the vision travels when the eye looks toward the horizon.

The atmosphere surrounding the earth then may be likened to a screen of an orange color, and it will be readily understood that any light passing through this screen will experience some remarkable modifications. Now, as already stated, it appears highly probable that supposing any one could see the sun from a position outside the earth's atmosphere the light coming from this central luminary would be seen to be not white, but blue. This blue is of course not a pure monochromatic blue, and the expression really means that it sums up the dominant note in the color scheme. What, therefore, the atmosphere may be considered to do is to stop out or absorb all the colors at the blue end of the spectrum, the residue filtering through to the earth as white light. When the rays of light first leave the sun, the blue rays are the strongest, but very soon after they entered the earth's atmosphere their progress was impeded, and of all the rays journeying from the sun they quickly became the weakest. On the other hand, the red rays, which at first were inconspicuous, had the facility of penetrating the earth's atmosphere and were the most in evidence at the end of their long journey.

The first step, accordingly, to be taken when investigating a sunset is to realize that the white light from the sun which is commonly supposed to be composed of the seven primary colors should rather be thought of as a residue of the outgoing radiations. A further important point is to bear in mind that all radiations of light are of different wave lengths. This fact indeed is at its very foundation, so to speak, of all sunsets, and it is the prime agency by which their flaming, gorgeous tints and colors are produced. It is due to this fact, for instance, that in the neighborhood of large towns the sun nearly always appears to set as a red ball of fire. The rays of light at the red end of the spectrum are of a much longer wave length than any of their fellow rays, and so are the best qualified for penetrating the dense bank of haze which so commonly floats over all large towns and cities. In such localities, as the sun sinks to rest, the green rays are first absorbed by this bank of haze, and then the yellow, and, lastly, the orange and the red, the latter, more often than not, being the only ones to get through at all. A careful observation of a sunset will reveal the fact that the colors fade in the above mentioned order, and the reason they do so is that they are of different wave lengths.

Now, the color in the sky may, as it were, be painted on the clouds, or on the hazy air, or on the open sky itself. As regards the latter, the color that is most conspicuous is of course the blue, and in seeing for the origin of this tint it will be found that the search leads to an explanation of many of the other colors. On looking up into the sky on a cloudless sunny day, when the swallows, perhaps, are flying so high that they appear but as tiny specks in the dome of blue, it seems almost impossible to think of the atmosphere as being otherwise than perfectly clear and translucent. It is, however, in reality charged with minute dusty particles, which have always been found in myriads wherever the atmosphere has been tested either over the open sea or at the top of high mountains. These particles of dust, it will be seen, are the agents principally responsible for tinting the atmosphere blue and for filtering out the gorgeous hues of a sunset.

In the lower strata of the atmosphere the coarser particles of dust not only scatter the waves of light, but they also reflect them, so that at these lower levels the blue tint is diluted by white light and is accordingly not so intense as when seen, say, at the top of a high mountain. At this elevation only the finer varieties of dust are floating, and there is little reflection of the light, but much scattering, and hence it is here that the blue attains its greatest intensity. In that part of the sky nearest the sun the rays of light come in a direct line to the eye of the observer, and the scattering of the light does not appear so great as when one looks across the path of the beams, and it is due to this circumstance that the sky near the sun is not so intense a blue as portions of the sky farther away. A similar kind of thing happens in respect to the clouds, which dust readily accumulates and, reflecting the light, produces their brilliant whiteness. At the edges of the clouds, moreover, the atoms of dust are busily engaged in refracting the beams of light, and to this cause is due that brilliant fringe of brightness which so often adorns many of the largest clouds. Not only therefore does the atmospheric dust filter out of the blue light that tints the sky, but it also fabricates the pigments that color the clouds, effects which can most readily be observed in contemplating the glories of the setting sun.—Arthur H. Bell in Knowledge.

A Pica For Parity.

"What we want," said the first patriot, "is honest elections."

"I should say so," agreed the second patriot. "Why, Heiler promised me fifty dollars for my influence in my ward, and now he says he never agreed to give me more than ten dollars."—Baltimore Sun.

The Miser's Dollars.

Bill—Old Skindint says his first dollar was the hardest to get.

Jill—Yes, and the last is the hardest to give up.—Yonkers Statesman.

A Test of Sanity.

A gentleman was once being taken over an idiot asylum. He asked an attendant how they knew when an idiot was considered to be sufficiently restored to sanity to be discharged. "It is easily managed. We take them into a yard where there are several troughs. We turn on the taps and then give the idiots buckets to bail out the water and empty the troughs. Many of them keep bailing away while the taps keep running, but then that isn't idiots stop the tap."—London Tit-Bits.

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A FORCED SALE.

With the Coat on the Robust Customer Fixed the Price of It.

"Speaking of forced sales," said the man who was smoking a pipe, "makes me think of going with a friend of mine once up into old Chatham street, years ago, when there were more clothing stores there than there are now in the same thoroughfare renamed, to look on while he bought a pea jacket. He was a broad shouldered, obsequious man, this friend of mine, and he didn't want any help from me. I went along for company."

"He found a coat that suited him all right enough. It fitted him neatly, and at that, and when he got it all buttoned up he turned around to the clothing man and says:

"How much is that coat?"

"Ten dollars," says the clothing dealer.

"The big man, with the coat on him turns around again to the mirror and throws his arms forward, as a man will do, you know, to see if the coat is perfectly easy everywhere and doesn't draw anywhere, and throwing his arms forward like that made the coat set across his back tight and smooth as a drumhead."

"Oh, it fits you beautiful," said the clothing man, standing back of him and sweeping his hand across the coat's back.

"It isn't bad," says my friend, looking at himself sideways and throwing his arms to the front forward, "but, goodness me, it isn't worth \$10. Give you \$5."

"Oh, no," says the clothing man; "it's cheap at ten. And please don't throw your arms forward quite so hard as that. You'll tear the seams out, first you know. You could pull the sleeves out of a sheet iron coat that way."

"And so you could, you know, easy enough. You could split any coat ever made that way if you were only strong enough, and my friend was, and he kept on carrying his arms forward and saying as he did so, with the seams a-straining:

"Five dollars."

"Oh, I couldn't do that," says the dealer. "Call it eight."

"Five," says my man, with a little more strain.

"Say seven," says the dealer, "and the coat's yours."

"Five," says my friend, "and it's the last call," and as he spoke he threw his arms another half inch forward, and the stitches began to crack. "Five," he says now, "or I split the coat plumb up the back!"

"Take the coat!" says the clothing man, and my friend handed over a V and walked out with the new coat on his back and his old coat over his arm.

"Now, maybe the dealer would have come down to his price, all right, in time anyway, but my friend certainly did hurry him a little, hey?"—New York Sun.

Bermuda Wreckers.

Ancient customs of wrecking are not wholly despised in memory. If you see any pretty and strange dish or shell or implement in a cottage, it is perfectly polite to ask, "What did that come off of?"

They tell in Bermuda a story of a parson who, while preaching one Sunday morning, saw a ship driving on shore before a gale of wind. The door stood open, and he preached steadily on, descending from the pulpit and walking down the aisle, with his eyes fixed on the vessel rushing to its doom on the rocks. When he reached the door, he dropped the professional tone, announced the arrival, saying that everybody could start, even now, and led in the scramble toward the wreckage that soon strewn the shore.—New York Mail and Express.

Appetite of a Spider.

The stupendous nature of the task that a man who essays to provide food for some thousands of these voracious little creatures sets himself may be imagined when it is stated that a confused spider has been proved by actual experiment to eat 26 times its own weight in the course of a day. At this rate a man of ordinary size would require three or four bullocks and from 15 to 20 sheep to satisfy his appetite daily.—Cornhill Magazine.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said court for probate, by Francis Leblanc, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named.

You are hereby cited to appear at a probate court to be held at Pittsfield in said county of Berkshire, on the seventh day of January, A. D., 1902, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in the North Adams Transcript, a newspaper published in said North Adams the last publication to be one day at least before said court and by making, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said court.

Witness Edward T. Slocum, Esq., Judge of said court, this sixteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one.

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BRAKEMAN KILLED

Collision Between Freight
Cars in the Adams Yard
This Morning

THREW BRAKEMAN UNDER CAR

That Followed So That He Was Run
Over and Instantly Killed. The
Body and Head were Ter-
ribly Mangled

Arthur Wheelock, a brakeman on the local branch of the Boston & Albany railroad, was thrown from the top of his car while switching in the yard at Adams about 11:35 this forenoon, and falling in front of part of his own train was run over and instantly killed, his head being crushed besides other mangle of the body.

Wheelock was about 25 years old and has been employed as brakeman on the road for several years. He went out of this city on the forenoon freight No. 545, to Pittsfield today, and at Adams the train stopped to leave several cars.

Two of these cars, with Wheelock aboard to man the brakes, "kicked off" upon the freight house siding. There were so many cars already on the siding, however, that there was not room enough for the cars to get clear of the main track.

Those who were running the train did not notice this and kicked off another car on the main track. The collision came just as Wheelock was straightening up from work on the brakes. The crash caused him to lose his balance and he was thrown from the roof of his car directly in front of the moving car. He managed to land upon his feet, but fell across the track and before he could move the car had passed over him cutting off the entire back part of the head, leaving only the face, and terribly mangle an arm and a leg.

The body was rescued as soon as possible, but Wheelock was dead and there was nothing to do but to hold it for the arrival of Medical Examiner O. J. Brown of this city, who was notified at once and went to Adams on the noon train.

Wheelock is an Adams boy and formerly lived at Maple Grove. Two years ago he married Miss Bertha Cole and have since resided in Pittsfield. Besides his wife he leaves one small child and his mother, Mrs. Ruth Wheelock of Adams.

The body was taken to Pittsfield this afternoon after being viewed by the medical examiner.

The train was under the charge of Conductor Young and Engineer Rawlinson.

IS CONVENTION LEGAL?

A Fear That Coming Diocesan Con-
vention Cannot Elect a Bishop

Members of the Episcopal Church are debating whether the call to elect delegates to the coming convention is legal or not, as an error was made in the first announcement, when the date was given Tuesday, the 22d, was given when the 21st was the date that was intended. The canon laws of the church state that the bishop shall be elected only at the annual convention or at a special meeting of that convention. But the last convention adjourned with out day and a new convention, not an adjournment of the old convention, it is said cannot be considered such a convention as can elect a bishop, according to the canon laws of the church. There is to be a meeting of the standing committee next Tuesday, and the matter will be settled then.

Dean Robertson of Albany, N. Y., is the latest name to be heard in connection with the Western Massachusetts diocese. Rev. Dr. Vinton of Worcester seems to be the strongest. The name of Rev. John Cotton Brooks will be heard, and possibly others. Rev. Dr. Robertson and Rev. Dr. Vinton are being considered most favorably at present. It is not unlikely that more than one ballot will be required for the election the 21st and it is practically certain that this time there will be no such unanimous choice as prevailed when Rev. Dr. Green's name was before the convention.

UNIVERSALIST WATCH MEETING

The People Came Late and Parish
Meeting Was Postponed

The watch meeting at the Universalist church last evening was well attended and interesting. The people did not commence to come in until rather late, however, and the parish meeting which was called for 8 o'clock had to be postponed until tomorrow evening. The exercises were opened about 9 o'clock and an entertaining literary program caused the first part of the evening to pass off very pleasantly. Readings by Mrs. W. G. Cady, Miss Mary Davis, Miss Emma Oditz, and Miss L. Davis, a story by John Evans, and singing by the Misses Sexton made up the formal exercises, and at their conclusion the company played games and indulged in pop-corn and apples until 11:30 o'clock, when a devotional meeting was led by Rev. A. E. Wright. The meeting adjourned early in 1902.

ONLY ONE APPLICATION

Received by Superintendent Hall in
Answer to Advertisement for
Teacher

Only one application has been received in response to the advertisement for a teacher at the Freeman school. Superintendent Hall has a considerable list of applicants for positions, but he had this before the advertisement was inserted, which was done that any one desiring to teach, and not having made application, might know there was a vacancy. The place has not yet been filled.

The public schools will open tomorrow, the holiday vacation having ended today.

LAFAYETTE GUARDS DANCE

Their Affair Last Night Proves Most
Successful of the Year

The fourth annual concert and dance of the Lafayette guards was held last night in Odd Fellows' hall, and was the most successful event of the kind so far this year. The hall was packed, and by the time the concert program was well under way there was standing room only. The guards themselves were resplendent in their new uniforms procured recently through Lomorgan and Bissailon, and the charity ball decorations with the addition of some red incandescent lights in place of the white ones gave a very gay and festive effect.

At 7:45 o'clock the guards paraded up and down Main street, and their appearance called forth much favorable comment. The concert began promptly at 8 o'clock and the audience thoroughly enjoyed the work of the local people who took part. Those who contributed to the entertainment were William Cummings, who earned applause with his sentimental ballads, the ever-popular John Merritt in comic character songs, Alphonse Girard and Miss Naon Blancheard, vocalists, and a cornet quartet, composed of the Bordeleau brothers, Frank Bosley and Francis Leier. The closing feature was George E. Camm's moving pictures. The orchestra consisted of seven pieces, the members all being well known musicians.

Dancing commenced immediately after the concert. About 100 couples took the floor, and the new year got a good start before the company was ready to go home. The committee of arrangements consisted of Wilfred Paradise, chairman, Alfred Girard, George Racotte, Dolphus Vien, Arthur Girard, Joseph Lariviere, Napoleon Lamore, Arthur Beaudin, and William Hamel. William Hamel was also floor director, with Joseph Lariviere, Dolphus Vien, Napoleon Lamore and Arthur Beaudin as his aids. Patrick Pendergast prompted.

PRETTY NEW YEAR'S DANCE

Chapin Club Gave Very Pretty Affair
in Pythian Hall Last Night

The Chapin club and its friends, to the number of about 60, danced the old year out and the new year in at Pythian hall last night. It was a very pretty dance indeed, the hall being decorated in light blue and white, the club's colors, and little red shades softening the glare of the electric lights. Over the door a long streamer of blue bore in large white letters the legend, "A Happy New Year," and to those who were present the new year certainly had a pleasant beginning.

The programs were attractive little affairs in light blue crepe paper, containing besides the dance order the list of patronesses, Miss Ida Morgan, Mrs. E. F. Gibbs, Mrs. Henry Morrison, Mrs. Frank Wiley, and Mrs. Louis Simmons, and the officers of the club. The reception committee consisted of Miss Mabel Carter, Miss Mac Tyler, and Miss Harriet Morgan. Archie Mason furnished the music.

Among those who attended were guests from Adams, Williamstown and Pittsfield.

BOWLING TEAM SELECTED

For the Three Corners Match at
Pittsfield Club Room Dedication

The team selected to represent North Adams at the dedication of the Pittsfield bowling club's new rooms tomorrow evening will probably be made up as follows: Nourse, Lynch, Redman, Boyd, and Miekielejohn. This makes a strong combination, each one of the men being recognized as a close contestant for bowling honors of the city. It was planned to celebrate the dedication with a three cornered match by Pittsfield, Westfield and this city but whether definite arrangements have been made for this match is not yet known here as the local bowlers have received no word from Pittsfield beyond the invitations to be present. If the match comes off North Adams can be counted upon to make a good showing with the team she has put in the field.

The Union says this morning that the three cornered match has been arranged. It will be bowled on the Peck & Griffin alleys. After the match all will repair to the new rooms of the club in the old England block in North street and these will be formally dedicated. Refreshments will be served and there will be an informal program. The new rooms have been neatly furnished and are as cozy as any of their size in Pittsfield. The club is rapidly increasing in membership and bids fair to be one of the leading social organizations of the city.

THE DIRECTORS MEET

And Plan for Formal Opening of the
New Gymnasium

The trustees and directors of the Y. M. C. A. met last night in the association parlors to discuss plans for the immediate future.

The first question brought up pertained to increasing the membership, and the report of the committee appointed to make arrangements for an active canvass was accepted. Another committee was appointed to carry out the plans suggested, and this committee, with 25 picked men and as many others as are interested, will meet Friday evening and start things going.

In view of the anticipated increase in the membership it was voted that after January 15 boys between the ages of 12 and 16 should not be allowed in the building after 6 o'clock.

A topic of general interest, the gymnasium, was then taken up, and January 17 was set as a provisional date for the formal opening. Dr. J. W. Crawford was appointed medical director for one year, and after a short talk by Physical Director Wilson the meeting adjourned.

Not a Public Lathering

The "ladies' night" to be held at Grand Army hall tomorrow evening by the Sons of St. George will not be a public affair, but only for the members their families and friends.

STILL WANTS CRANE

President Roosevelt Will
Hold Place in the Cab-
inet for a Year

AFTER HE RETIRES AS GOVERNOR

Murray Crane Will Succeed Long as
Secretary of the Navy Accord-
ing to Present Story. This
Is a Long Look Ahead

The Washington Star is the authority for a story about Crane's future which is enlarged upon by the reliable Washington correspondents of the Boston Transcript and New York Evening Post as follows:

Although it has been the intention of the persons concerned to say nothing about the arrangement for many months, since its consummation would be nearly a year in coming to pass, there is so much popular misunderstanding as to the future representation of Massachusetts in the cabinet that your correspondent feels that no harm will come from outlining what is the present plan.

Charles H. Allen is not to be secretary of the navy, highly as President Roosevelt regards him and conspicuous as have been his services in Porto Rico. Secretary Long is not to remain through the administration, but, as stated repeatedly in these dispatches, has no intention of leaving the cabinet at present. He is to be succeeded by a Massachusetts man, especially since the treasury portfolio went to the west. Secretary Long cannot leave the cabinet at present, because his assistant, ex-Judge Darling, is not yet familiar with the departmental routine, and because the Schley complication, with congress still in session, cannot be regarded as necessarily "over," although probably it is so.

The man who is slated to succeed Secretary Long also desires delay, and so their interests coincide. That man is W. Murray Crane. He may thus serve out his term as governor of Massachusetts, while Mr. Long is accomplishing what he desires. The navy portfolio, moreover, does not present the complication regarding the bond paper that affected the treasury portfolio, and, since it was neither convenient nor hardly possible for Gov. Crane to retire from ownership in the paper company, or for the government to get these special grades elsewhere, especially during the pendency of the existing contracts, that obstacle proved a serious one.

Such rigid secrecy has been enjoined upon the principals to this arrangement that official disclaimers of exact information may be forthcoming, and with entire sincerity, since there is always great uncertainty as to events scheduled to take place a year away. It may be said, however, upon the best of authority that this is the present plan, and the one that, if nothing unexpected happens, will be fully carried out.

Boston Herald Denies It

A Washington dispatch to today's Boston Herald makes denial of the report about the governor. After referring to the retirement of Long, probably in the spring, the correspondent adds:

Upon the theory that his successor would certainly come from Massachusetts, and upon the fact that President Roosevelt desired Governor Crane in the cabinet, rose the report that the president had selected Governor Crane for this place, and that Governor Crane would accept. Inquiry showed that the president had not selected Gov. Crane or anyone else, and friends of the governor here do not believe that, having declined the treasury portfolio, he would accept that of the navy department.

Some of the advisers of the president object to the appointment of Governor Allen, admitting all his special qualifications, simply because he served in the navy department under Secretary Long during the Spanish war.

SUNRISE PRAYER MEETING

Alexander McDougall's Unbroken Re-
cord of Attendance at 29 Such
Meetings

The 29th annual sunrise prayer meeting at the Congregational chapel this morning was largely attended. It opened at 7:30 o'clock and continued for exactly half an hour, Rev. W. L. Tenney leading.

This meeting has come to be looked upon as one of the traditions of the church, having been started in 1874 during Rev. Dr. Pratt's pastorate and celebrated every New Year's morning since that time. Alexander McDougall has the distinction of being the only member of the church who has been present at all of the 29 services.

To Hold Joint Installation

Lincoln camp, Sons of Veterans, did routine business at its meeting last night and decided to join with Sanford post and the Woman's Relief corps in a joint installation of the officers of all the organizations. Friday evening, Cracker, cheese and coffee will be served at the close of the installation and a short time will be passed in a social way. The Sons of Veterans will hold another whist party Tuesday evening, January 3.

Sunday School Teacher's Meeting

The Congregational Sunday school teachers meeting Thursday evening will be unusually important. The report of the nominating committee will be given and the next Sunday's lesson outlined. Teachers should bring pencils and paper.

Father Mathew Euchre

At the Father Mathew euchre party last night 15 tables were played and the prizes were awarded as follows: Mrs. Reno, Mrs. Roy, Mrs. William Shultz, Mrs. Durand, J. H. Fitzbrad, William Shultz, John Cronin and Patrick McDougall.



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